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The 96th Annual Session
of the
Convention of
Original Free Will Baptists

May 20 — 22, 2008

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WORKING FOR GOD EFFECTIVELY
(John 6:27)

Annual Themes

2008 - 2009
Working for God With Enthusiasm
(I Corinthians 3:9)

2009 - 2010
Working for God With Earnestness
(Matthew 9:37)

2010 - 2011
Working for God With Expectation
(John 6:29)

2011 - 2012
Working for God With Endurance
(Galatians 6:9)

2012 - 2013
Working for God With Enjoyment
(I Timothy 5:18)

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Working For God Effectively - John 6:27

Tuesday, May 20, 2008

5:30 p.m. Pastor's I.M.P.A.C.T. Banquet - **Murphy Center**

7:30 p.m. Convention Worship Service – **Kornegay Arena**

Special Music by K.C.R.

Evening Message by Pastor Rick Rusaw,

Sr. Minister of LifeBridge Christian Church Longmont, Colorado

Wednesday, May 21, 2008

8:00 a.m. Registration Begins - **Kornegay Arena**

9:00 a.m. Morning Worship Service

Speaker Pastor Rick Rusaw

10:00 a.m. Opening Session

The Convention is Called to Order
Scripture and Prayer

Welcome to Mount Olive College

President's Message

Partial Report of the Credentials Committee

Report of the Executive Committee

Report of the Convention Treasurer

First Reading of Constitutional Changes

Report of the Nominating Committee

Instructions for the Day

The Reverend Al Warrick, Secretary
Licensed Minister

Mrs. Jean Ackiss

The Reverend Charles Renfrow

The Reverend Ashley Trogdon

Secretary Warrick

The Reverend Kevin Jackson

Secretary Warrick

The Reverend Ray Wells

10:45 a.m. Break - **Visit Your Ministry Displays and the OFWB Bookstore**

11:00 a.m. Life on Loan Workshop with Author Rick Rusaw

(This is a plenary session with everyone remaining in Kornegay Arena)

12:00 noon Second Reading of Constitutional Changes

Secretary Warrick

Recognition of Special Guests

President Renfrow

12:15 p.m. Lunch – **Murphy Center**

The President's Luncheon will be held in the Hennessee Room

1:10 – 2:00 p.m. Workshop Session Two in **Raper Hall**
(You may attend the workshop of your choice)

2:10 – 3:00 p.m. Workshop Session Three in **Raper Hall**
(You may attend the workshop of your choice)

We remind you that the Final Session of the 2008 Convention will convene tomorrow morning at 9:00 in the **Southern Bank Auditorium in Raper Hall**. Following Workshop Session Four, we will return to Kornegay Arena for the balance of the Convention. Shuttle service will be provided for your convenience.

5:45 p.m. Sunday School Banquet in **Murphy Center**
Speaker – Dr. Matt Pinson, President, FWB
Bible College, Nashville, TN

7:30 p.m. Annual Mission Rally in **Kornegay Arena**
Directed by Foreign Missions Board
Speaker – Bishop Lavaughn Hughes, Pastor
Tabernacle of Praise, Waldorf, Maryland

Thursday, May 22, 2008

8:30 a.m. Registration Continues in **Kornegay Arena**

9:00 a.m. Final Session begins in **Raper Hall, in the Southern Bank Auditorium**

Scripture and Prayer

Announcements

Final Reading of Constitutional Changes

Instructions for the Day

Licensed Minister

President Renfrow

Secretary Warrick

9:20 – 10:10 a.m. Workshop Session Four in **Raper Hall**

10:30 a.m. Morning Worship - **Kornegay Arena**

Speaker – Dr. Matt Pinson, President

Free Will Baptis Bible College, Nashville, TN

11:15 a.m. Break - **Visit Your Ministry Displays and the OFWB Bookstore**

11:30 a.m. The Business of the Convention
Adoption of Constitutional Changes
Adoption of Nominating Committee Report
Adoption of Ministry Director's Reports
Report of the Resolutions Committee
Final Report of the Credentials Committee
100th Anniversary Celebration Start-Up
Report of the Memorial Committee

President Charles Renfrow

Mrs. Kitty Barnes, Chair

12:30 p.m. The Convention is Adjourned

2008 – 2012
Working for God Effectively - John 6:27

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EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

Executive Committee Meeting

June 19, 2007

Headquarters, Ayden, North Carolina

Present: Charles L. Renfrow, President; Harold Swinson, Vice-President; Al Warrick, Secretary; Al Markuson; Sam Weeks; Leon Grubbs; and Ray Wells

Also Present: Buddy Sasser, Director of Convention Services, and Andrea Cox, Administrative Assistant

President called the meeting to order.

Leon Grubbs presented a devotion and offered prayer.

The minutes of the 2007 Annual Convention were presented and discussed. •*Motion to adopt the minutes of the 2007 Annual Convention.* MSP

Motion that the Constitution and Bylaws Revision Committee review the Constitution and Bylaws for changes needed for correction and clarification and report back at the September meeting of the Executive Committee. MSP

Treasurer's report was presented.

Director of Convention Services presented his report. •*Motion that the Director of Convention Services have the authority to hire part-time help to assist with the preparation of a 2007 Directory.* MSP

The next meeting of the Executive Committee is scheduled for September 4, 2007 at 9:00 a.m. at the Headquarters.

President appointed the following sub-committee appointments:

Personnel and Policy Committee:

Leon Grubbs, Sam Weeks, Gary Bryan

Finance and Development Committee:

Kevin Jackson, Harold Swinson, Al Warrick,
assisted by Andrea Cox

Convention Program Committee:

Buddy Sasser, Charles Renfrow, Al Markuson

Leadership Endowment Committee:

Ray Wells, Dale Belvin, Tim Heath

Committee on Committees:

Charles Renfrow, Harold Swinson, Al Warrick, and Kevin Jackson

Discussion was held concerning the Centennial Celebration of the Convention. The celebration will begin with the May 2012 session of the Annual Convention and will continue until the May 2013 Annual Convention.

Motion that a plaque be prepared for Dr. Bobby Taylor for his years of service to the Convention as President of the Free Will Baptist Children's Home, and that it be presented to him at the Annual Friends of Children Day.

Motion to adjourn.

Executive Committee Meeting

September 4, 2007

Headquarters, Ayden, North Carolina

Present: Charles L. Renfrow, President; Al Warrick, Secretary; Sam Weeks; Ray Wells; and Gary Bryan

Also Present: Buddy Sasser, Director of Convention Services, and Andrea Cox, Administrative Assistant

The President presented the devotion from Psalm 119:43 and offered prayer.

President Renfrow called the meeting to order. A special welcome was given to Reverend Gary Bryan from the Pee Dee Association.

The minutes of the June 19 meeting were approved as presented.

Andrea Cox presented the treasurer's report, which was received as presented.

The Director of Convention Services presented his report.

•*Motion to invite Rick Rusaw, co-author of "The Externally Focused Church", to participate in the 2008 Annual Convention.* MSP

•*Motion to approve Mr. Wayne Hicks to fill the unexpired term of the Reverend Dale Belvin on the Sunday School Board.* MSP

•*Motion to give \$750.00 to the Board of Foreign Missions to assist with the purchase of a new label machine.* MSP

The 2007 Directory was discussed. One printed Directory and one Directory on disk will be provided at no charge to each church and each minister.

The registration fee increase for the 2008 Convention was discussed. A notice will be provided in the registration packets for the 2008 Convention reminding everyone that the registration fee has increased from \$25 to \$35 per minister, member, and delegate.

•*Motion to adjourn.*

Executive Committee Meeting
January 8, 2008
Headquarters, Ayden, North Carolina

Present: Charles L. Renfrow, President; Harold Swinson, Vice-President; Kevin Jackson, Treasurer; Al Markuson; Sam Weeks; Gary Bryan; Dale Belvin; Ray Wells
Also Present: Buddy Sasser, Director of Convention Services and Andrea Cox, Administrative Assistant

President Renfrow called the meeting to order and welcomed everyone.

Sam Weeks presented the devotion from John 15 stressing that we should “show love one for another”, and then offered prayer.

The next meeting will be held Tuesday, March 11, 2008 at 9:00 a.m.

•Motion to accept the minutes of the September 4, 2007 meeting.

Andrea Cox presented the treasurer’s report.

•Motion to include a line item on the Annual Church Letter for Annual Church dues of \$35.00 per church. MSP

The treasurer’s report was received as presented.

The Director of Convention Services presented his report, including a tentative schedule for the 2008 Convention.

•Motion to extend an invitation to Dr. Matt Pinson, President of the Free Will Baptist Bible College, Nashville, Tennessee to be the guest speaker at the Thursday worship service of the 2008 Convention. MSP

President Renfrow presented plans for the Centennial Celebration which will be kicked off at the 2008 Convention and will culminate at the 2012 Convention.

•Motion that Mrs. Kitty Barnes chair the Centennial Celebration Committee. MSP

•Motion that the Reverend John Hill fill the unexpired term of the Reverend Jesse Fulcher on the Board of Foreign Missions (OFWB International). MSP

•Motion for Dr. De Wayne Eakes to serve on the Scholarship Committee for the North Carolina Foundation for Christian Ministries, and for the Reverend Ronnie V. Hobgood to continue serving as the Convention representative to the North Carolina Foundation for Christian Ministries. MSP

The following were appointed to the **Nominating Committee** for the 2008 Convention: Ray Wells, chairman; John Hill; Danny McPherson; Wayne Britt; and Brad Williamson

The following were appointed to the **Resolutions Committee** for the 2008 Convention: Leon Grubbs, chairman; Fred Baker; Tony Glass; David Smith; and Donnie Lassiter

The following will be asked to serve on the Credentials Committee for the 2008 Convention:

Ashley Trogdon, chairman; Andrea Cox, Shirley Forsythe, Connie Weeks, Pam Sasser, and Neal Cox

•*Motion to submit the following for reelection to the Convention Executive Committee Charles Renfrow, President; Harold Swinson, Vice-President; Leon Grubbs, Tim Heath, and Sam Weeks.* MSP

The Reverend John Hill met with the Executive Committee to report on the Commission On Youth & Student Ministry Leadership and on thoughts for the future of the ministry.

Dr. Burkette Raper met with the Executive Committee to present ideas concerning a Commission on Education for Christian Ministry.

We were adjourned with prayer by Ray Wells.

Executive Committee Meeting

March 20, 2008

Headquarters, Ayden, North Carolina

Present: Charles L. Renfrow, President; Harold Swinson, Vice-President; Al Warrick, Secretary; Kevin Jackson, Treasurer; Al Markuson; Sam Weeks; Leon Grubbs; Tim Heath; Ray Wells

Also Present: Buddy Sasser, Director of Convention Services and Andrea Cox, Administrative Assistant

President Renfrow called the meeting to order and welcomed everyone.

Tim Heath presented the devotion from Philippians 1 and offered prayer.

•*Motion to accept the minutes of the January 8, 2008 meeting as corrected.* MSP

Kevin Jackson presented the report of the Finance Committee.

•*Motion to accept the report of the Finance Committee concerning the 2009 Budget.* MSP

The Director of Convention Services presented his report.

—The Reverend and Mrs. Joe Crumpler have donated a 1993 Lincoln Continental to the Convention.

•*Motion to have the car cleaned and placed for sale with an asking price of \$1,500.* MSP

Tim Heath, speaking as Moderator of the Eastern Conference and Ronnie Taylor, Clerk of the Eastern Conference addressed the Committee on behalf of the Eastern Conference. They expressed concerns over the hiring process for positions at Mount Olive College, as well as protecting the heritage of the College.

Dr. Burkette Raper met with the Executive Committee to present the proposed constitutional change concerning the Commission on Education for Christian Ministry.
•*Motion to present to the 2008 Session of the Annual Convention the following proposed addition to the Bylaws of the Convention concerning the Commission on Education for Christian Ministry.* MSP

Article II – Bylaws

OFFICERS, BOARDS, COMMITTEES, COMMISSIONS, AND THE MANNER OF THEIR ELECTION

Section 21: Commission on Education For Christian Ministry:

The Commission on Education For Christian Ministry shall be composed of seven persons, each elected for a period of seven years, with the terms of one member expiring annually; the vacancy to be filled by the Convention.

Article III – Duties & Responsibilities

Section 21: Commission on Education for Christian Ministry

The work of the Commission on Education for Christian Ministry shall be:

1. To provide a medium for voluntary coordination of services by agencies within the Convention which address the equipping of those called to Christian ministry,
2. To provide a resource of information, publications, literature and other media, along with appropriate consultation relative to educational options, for those called to Christian ministry, including pastoral services, youth ministry, services to the elderly, church music, counseling, Christian education and other Christian vocations; and
3. To provide appropriate conferences, workshops and other learning opportunities which will foster excellence in Christian ministry.

Concerning numbering of Bylaws:

Section 22 The former section 23 now becomes section 22

Section 23 The former section 24 now becomes section 23

Concerning numbering of Duties & Responsibilities:

Section 20 becomes section 18 Retirement Homes

Section 21 becomes section 19 Sunday School

The Executive Committee will meet April 1 with representatives of the Mount Olive College Board of Trustees. The next meeting of the Executive Committee will be held Monday, May 5 at 10:00 a.m. at Mount Olive College.

•*Motion to give Dr. Matt Pinson, President of the Free Will Baptist Bible College, Nashville, TN a \$500.00 honorarium for speaking at the Thursday morning worship service of the 2008 Session of the Annual Convention.* MSP

We were adjourned with prayer by our President.

Convention of Original Free Will Baptists
Budget/Actual for 2007

INCOME

<u>Convention Income</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>
Air Force Chaplain Service	\$ 500.00	\$ 526.93
Church Contributions	66,488.00	59,949.84
Convention Registration Fees	12,500.00	13,825.00
Convention Worship Offerings	2,000.00	2,461.87
Golf Tournament Proceeds	8,000.00	7,388.00
IMPACT Dinner	4,000.00	3,275.00
Individual Contributions	500.00	900.00
Interest	600.00	1,249.32
Miscellaneous	500.00	1,590.20
Other Contributions	5,000.00	3,064.63
Promotional	500.00	1,225.00
Sales Tax	1,000.00	582.92
Wall of Honor	<u>5,000.00</u>	<u>1,500.00</u>
Total	\$106,588.00	\$97,538.71
<u>Endowment Interest Income</u>		
Hansley Endowment	25.00	21.61
Heritage Club Endowment	0.00	0.00
Leadership Endowment	150.00	209.15
Wall of Honor Endowment	<u>250.00</u>	<u>400.27</u>
Total	\$ 425.00	\$631.03
 Total Income	 \$107,013.00	 \$98,169.74

EXPENSES

<u>Convention Expenses</u>		
Convention Costs	\$3,000.00	\$1,439.18
Executive Committee Expense	250.00	1,253.05
Golf Tournament	<u>2,500.00</u>	<u>1,711.73</u>
Total	5,750.00	4,403.96
<u>Endowment Expenses</u>		
Hansley Endowment	0.00	0.00
Heritage Club Endowment	200.00	0.00
Leadership Endowment	200.00	0.00
Wall of Honor Endowment	<u>200.00</u>	<u>40.78</u>
Total	\$600.00	\$40.78

	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>
<u>General Operations Expenses</u>		
Accounting Costs	\$500.00	\$289.95
Benevolence	200.00	0.00
Copier Expense (Convention)	500.00	0.00
General Maintenance & Supplies	600.00	519.52
Headquarters Rent (Convention)	813.00	789.00
Headquarters Utilities	1,000.00	1,723.60
Insurance	2,000.00	1,720.00
Interest and Fees	400.00	42.45
Internet and Web Site	0.00	577.50
Subscriptions	150.00	99.35
Office printing and supplies	2,500.00	2,189.52
Other	300.00	0.00
Postage	1,500.00	970.67
Sales Tax	<u>1,000.00</u>	<u>1,099.10</u>
Total	\$ 11,463.00	\$ 10,020.66
<u>Miscellaneous Expenses</u>		
Fraternal Relations	\$250.00	\$0.00
IMPACT Dinner	3,000.00	2,289.92
Other Expense	<u>1,500.00</u>	<u>706.89</u>
Total	\$ 4,750.00	\$ 2,996.81
<u>Outreach Ministries Expenses</u>		
National Armed Forces	<u>\$800.00</u>	<u>\$863.30</u>
Total	\$800.00	\$863.30
<u>Marketing Expenses</u>		
Denominational Publications	\$1,000.00	32.03
Promotional	<u>1,000.00</u>	<u>1,955.38</u>
Total	\$2,000.00	\$1,987.41
<u>Personnel Salaries & Allowances Expenses</u>		
Employee Benefits	\$13,850.00	\$15,081.75
Payroll Tax Expense	2,500.00	1,269.84
Salaries	58,800.00	60,716.59
Travel Expense	<u>6,500.00</u>	<u>8,769.48</u>
Total	\$81,650.00	\$85,837.66
Total Expenses	\$107,013.00	\$106,150.58

Convention of Original Free Will Baptists

Reimbursement Budget for 2007

<u>Income</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>
Copier Use Reimbursement	4,500.00	3,444.36
Headquarters Rent Reimbursement	14,088.00	14,088.00
Headquarters Service Fee Reimbursement	3,400.00	3,600.00
Headquarters Telephone Reimbursement	1,000.00	826.17
Other Reimbursement	1,512.00	1,481.17
Report Book Reimbursement	3,500.00	6,755.00
Yearbook Reimbursement	<u>6,500.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>
Total	\$ 34,500.00	\$ 30,194.70
 <u>Expenses</u>		
Copier Expense	\$4,500.00	\$6,165.40
Headquarters Rent	14,064.00	14,088.00
Headquarters Telephone & Fax Line	5,000.00	4,539.48
Other Reimbursements	436.00	2,957.15
Program & Report Book	1,500.00	3,375.00
Yearbook Expense (Directory)	<u>6,500.00</u>	<u>3,700.96</u>
Total	\$ 32,000.00	\$ 34,825.99

Convention of Original Free Will Baptists

Endowments for 2007

Hansley Endowment.	\$100.00	\$0.00
Wall of Honor Endowment	5,000.00	1,500.00
Heritage Club Endowment	500.00	839.00
Leadership Endowment	3,000.00	0.00
Total	\$8,600.00	\$2,339.00

**Convention of Original Free Will Baptists
General Budget for 2008 and 2009**

INCOME

	<u>2008 Budget</u>	<u>2009 Budget</u>
<u>Convention Income</u>		
Air Force Chaplain Service	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00
Church Contributions	60,000.00	65,000.00
Convention Registration Fees	13,500.00	14,000.00
Convention Worship Offerings	2,000.00	2,500.00
Church Dues		8,400.00
Individual Contributions	1,000.00	1,000.00
Interest	800.00	1,000.00
Miscellaneous	1,400.00	500.00
Other Contributions	2,500.00	2,500.00
Promotional	12,500.00	12,500.00
Support from Savings (If needed)	15,950.00	9,130.00
Wall of Honor	<u>1,000.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>
Total	\$111,150.00	\$117,030.00
<u>Endowment Interest Income</u>		
Hansley Endowment	\$30.00	\$20.00
Heritage Club Endowment	0.00	800.00
Leadership Endowment	125.00	150.00
Wall of Honor Endowment	<u>345.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>
Total	\$500.00	\$970.00
<u>Reimbursement Income</u>		
Copier	\$5,000.00	3,500.00
Headquarters Rent	14,200.00	14,200.00
Headquarters Service	5,000.00	5,000.00
Other	1,500.00	2,500.00
Program and Report Book	<u>5,000.00</u>	<u>7,000.00</u>
Total	\$30,700.00	\$32,200.00
<u>Endowment Income</u>		
Hansley Endowment	\$200.00	\$0.00
Wall of Honor Endowment	1,000.00	0.00
Leadership Endowment	<u>3,000.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>
Total	\$4,200.00	\$0.00
Over All Totals	\$146,550.00	\$150,200.00

EXPENSES

	<u>2008 Budget</u>	<u>2009 Budget</u>
<u>Convention Expenses</u>		
Convention Costs	\$2,500.00	\$2,000.00
Executive Committee Expense	<u>2,500.00</u>	<u>1,500.00</u>
Total	\$5,000.00	\$3,500.00
 <u>Endowment Expenses</u>		
Hansley Endowment	0.00	\$0.00
Heritage Club Endowment	0.00	0.00
Leadership Endowment	\$300.00	150.00
Wall of Honor Endowment	<u>100.00</u>	<u>100.00</u>
Total	\$400.00	\$250.00
 <u>General Operations Expenses</u>		
Accounting Costs	\$ 500.00	500.00
Benevolence	200.00	100.00
Copier Expense (Convention)	0.00	300.00
General Maintenance & Supplies	600.00	0.00
Headquarters Telephone & Fax	0.00	4,800.00
Headquarters Rent (Convention)	800.00	800.00
Headquarters Utilities	1,000.00	2,000.00
Insurance	2,000.00	2,000.00
Interest and Fees	200.00	100.00
Internet and Web Site	1,000.00	1,000.00
Subscriptions	150.00	150.00
Office printing and supplies	2,500.00	2,500.00
Other	500.00	500.00
Postage	1,000.00	1,200.00
Sales Tax	<u>1,000.00</u>	<u>1,000.00</u>
Total	\$ 11,450.00	\$16,950.00
 <u>Marketing Expenses</u>		
Denominational Directory	\$ 2,000.00	\$1,000.00
Golf Tournament	2,500.00	2,500.00
IMPACT Dinner	3,000.00	3,000.00
Promotional	<u>1,500.00</u>	<u>3,500.00</u>
Total	\$ 9,000.00	\$10,000.00
 <u>Miscellaneous Expenses</u>		
Fraternal Relations	\$ 500.00	\$500.00
National Armed Forces	800.00	1,000.00
Other Expense	<u>1,000.00</u>	<u>1,000.00</u>
Total	\$ 2,300.00	\$2,500.00

Personnel Salaries & Allowances Expenses

Employee Benefits	\$ 15,300.00	\$ 15,500.00
Payroll Tax Expense	1,500.00	1,500.00
Salaries	60,200.00	62,000.00
Travel Expense	<u>6,500.00</u>	<u>10,000.00</u>
Total	\$83,500.00	\$89,000.00

Reimbursement Expenses

Copier	\$5,000.00	\$3,500.00
Headquarters Rent	14,200.00	14,500.00
Headquarters Service	5,000.00	5,000.00
Other	1,500.00	1,500.00
Program and Report Book	<u>5,000.00</u>	<u>3,500.00</u>
Total	\$30,700.00	\$28,000.00

Complete Total	\$142,350.00	\$150,200.00
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**Convention of O.F.W.B.
Balance Sheet
December 31, 2007**

ASSETS

Current Assets		
Checking Account	\$ 2,010.75	
Money Market Account	44,590.99	
Leadership Endowment	5,975.97	
Wall of Honor Funds w/ CF	15,033.90	
Hansley Endowment CD	1,615.08	
Accounts Receivable	<u>627.35</u>	
Total Current Assets		69,854.04
Property and Equipment		
Office Equipment	11,474.31	
Furniture and Fixtures	10,199.52	
Machinery and Equipment	<u>2,001.19</u>	
Total Property and Equipment		23,675.02
Other Assets		
Total Other Assets	<u> </u>	<u>0.00</u>
Total Assets		<u>\$93,529.06</u>

LIABILITIES AND CAPITAL

Current Liabilities		
State Tax Liability	<u>\$ 0.46</u>	
Total Current Liabilities		0.46
Long-Term Liabilities		
Total Long-Term Liabilities	<u> </u>	<u>0.00</u>
Total Liabilities		0.46
Capital		
Beginning Balance Equity	32,695.23	
Retained Earnings	89,654.20	
Net Income	<u>(28,820.83)</u>	
Total Capital		<u>93,528.60</u>
Total Liabilities & Capital		<u>\$93,529.06</u>

Financial reports were prepared by management. An annual compilation will be prepared by Connie H Huffman, CPA

FREE WILL BAPTIST CHILDREN'S HOME



Annual Report To the 96th Session of the CONVENTION OF ORIGINAL FREE WILL BAPTISTS May 20-22, 2008

Working for God Effectively--Working for God with Enthusiasm

Hebrews 13:21 - Make you perfect in every good work to do his will, **working** in you that which is well pleasing in his sight, through Jesus Christ; to whom be glory for ever and ever.

Mission Statement

Children and families are our most valued resource. Our home is dedicated to the ministry of returning children to a family by providing for children's physical, emotional, educational, and spiritual needs. This is accomplished in a nurturing environment with compassionate care. Since 1920, the Free Will Baptist Children's Home has ministered to children and families.

Our Children

This week your child care ministry begins its 88th year serving children and families.

God never intended for his children to be the victims of abandonment, abuse, and neglect. He wants the best for His children; therefore, we must protect, love, support, nurture, and teach His children, that they might achieve their full potential.

We have seen many changes in our society. We have seen many changes in the way we serve children and families, but we are sure of one thing, His call to serve His children is still relevant. Our ministry today is more crucial, more vital, and more needed than ever before. If you believe every child deserves a decent chance in life, then you believe in everything we stand for.

Thank You

Thank you for each prayer you have prayed; through your prayers you continue to serve with us; and, may God bless you for what you do for His children. You are reaching out to His children and providing food, clothing, shelter, medical services, education, and most of all, the opportunity for spiritual growth.

Highlights

- Served 110 children and their families
- Served children from 16 counties in eastern North Carolina
- One resident completed high school
- One resident completed GED
- We had two children attending college
- Most successful Change for Children campaign
- Hosted numerous events on campus
- We provided an internship for a graduate student
- Home is licensed by the Department of Health and Human Resources
- Completed Self-Study and site visit to receive our re-accreditation December 2007

Goals

Please be much in prayer for us as we strive to accomplish the goals listed below. Reaching these goals will allow us to continue to provide quality care and continue to intensify our programs. We strive to strengthen our spiritual commitment; and

- To offer the best possible care for the children and families we serve;
- To offer religious training to help children strengthen their relationship with Christ;
- To evaluate our services and implement new programs as needed
- To organize and promote activities and events which directly benefit our children;
- To continue participation in the Duke Wellness Project.
- To make repairs to Heritage Hall

Recommendations

The following recommendations are submitted to the Convention:

1. This 2008 report to the Convention be adopted.
2. The Convention continue to designate May and November as Children's Home Months, and recommend our churches observe Children's Home Days on November 2, 2008, and May 3, 2009.
3. The Convention and representing churches continue to pray for our Children's Home ministry.

This report and these recommendations are respectfully submitted on behalf of the Board of Directors.

James W. Cahoon
Chairman, Board of Directors

Gary W. Lee
President/CEO

Board of Directors	Conference	Term Expires
James W. Cahoon, <i>Chairman</i>	Albemarle	2008
Edward Brock, <i>Vice Chairman</i>	Central	2008
Franklin Vester, <i>Secretary</i>	Western	2009
Ila Penny, <i>Asst. Secretary</i>	Pee Dee	2009
Sherman Dille	Eastern	2010
Belinda Barnhill	Eastern	2010
Ann Grubbs	Central	2008
Donna Holland	Western	2009
Judy Aycock	Alumna	2010
Rev. Tom Parrish	Piedmont	2011
Wanda Crocker	Cape Fear	2011
Johnny Sullivan	Central	2011
Rebecca Davenport	Emeritus	

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Girls" ... serving children and families
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COUNCIL ON ACCREDITATION
OF SERVICES FOR FAMILIES
AND CHILDREN, INC.

Financial Statement

Management prepared this financial report from the actual audit. A copy of the Annual Audit conducted by Williams, Overman, Pierce & Company, Certified Public Accountants, 5400 Glenwood Avenue, Raleigh, NC, 27622, has been forwarded to the Convention's headquarters office.

STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES

Fiscal Year 2006-07

Statement Date: June 30

Support and Revenues:

Denominational support	\$ 352,315
Endowments	34,000
State funds	364,479
Title IV-E	306,691
Departments of Social Services	154,175
Medicaid	32,985
Tri-County support	130,759
Other individuals	152,752
Donated commodities	2,631
Rental income	29,806
Other	58,015
Gain on sale of assets	8,311
Investment earnings	<u>436,649</u>
Total support and revenues	2,063,568

Expenses:

Administration	169,199
Development	67,267
Program services:	
Children's services	1,299,183
Social services	<u>115,992</u>

Total expenses \$ 1,651,641

Increase in unrestricted net assets \$ 411,927
Total **\$ 2,063,568**

STATEMENTS OF FINANCIAL POSITION: JUNE 30, 2007

ASSETS

Assets:

Cash	\$ 199,234
Accounts receivable	103,301
Accrued interest receivable	2,930
Investments	2,958,406
Prepaid expenses	37,167
Inventories	18,468
Land, buildings, and equipment	1,318,279
Cash surrender value of life insurance	<u>10,325</u>
Total assets	\$ <u>4,648,110</u>

LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS

Liabilities:

Accounts payable	\$ 38,731
Accrued wages	67,031
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Total liabilities	\$ <u>105,762</u>

Net Assets:

Unrestricted	\$ 206,474
Unrestricted – designated	3,769,543
Temporarily restricted	373,492
Permanently restricted	<u>192,839</u>
Total net assets	<u>4,542,348</u>
Total liabilities and net assets	\$ <u>4,648,110</u>

FREE WILL BAPTIST CHILDREN'S HOME, INC.
BUDGET

July 1, 2007 – June 30, 2008

Revenue:

Denominational support	\$ 400,000
Endowment/Grants	25,000
State funds	439,000
Medicaid	25,000
Title IV-E	164,000
Tri-County Program	150,000
DSS foster care	180,737
DSS Other	15,000
Individuals	190,000
Rental income	24,000
Interest	6,500
Businesses	25,000
Miscellaneous	<u>4,000</u>
Total Revenue	\$ <u>1,648,237</u>

Expenses:

Administration	\$ 144,812
Development	84,943
Children's services	274,599
Social Services	94,495
Emergency shelters	346,394
Independent Living Skills Program	362,180
Real World Preparation Programs	187,908
Plant	130,906
Capital assets	<u>22,000</u>
Total Expenses	\$ <u>1,648,237</u>

Church Finance Association, Inc.

Annual Report for Year Ending December 31, 2007

The Board of Directors and the Membership of the Church Finance Association bring greetings to this Session of The Convention of Original Free Will Baptists. This past year has been a successful one for the Association and we would like to thank you for the opportunity to serve our denomination. As of December 31, 2007 we have over two million three hundred and fifty thousand dollars in loans outstanding to the churches and ministries of our denomination. These are loans that have been used to build sanctuaries, family life centers, and other projects needed by the local church. It is your prayers and investments that make this possible.

The Year 2007

• Memberships	4,001
• Deposits	\$1,071,932
• Loans to churches	\$2,351,007

Mission Statement

For

Church Finance Association

It is the mission of the Church Finance Association, Inc. to meet the borrowing needs of the member churches and ministries of the Convention of Original Free Will Baptists. These needs include funds for capital expansion, repair, remodeling, and reorganization. These loans are made in a manner consistent with sound business practices recognizing that we must provide all due consideration in an effort to assist the Convention. Church Finance serves as a conduit between those institutions and individuals who are willing to place funds with the Association and those institutions which are in need of these resources.

Is Your Church Willing to Help Other Churches?

Many of our churches have special use funds for building, contingencies, remodeling, or some type of emergency. The CFA urges our churches to take advantage of the **FUNDS ACCOUNT** which pays interest at the rate of (3.00%) and funds are available for withdrawal within 90 days. If you have funds in CDs or bank savings accounts please consider making those available to your sister churches by placing them with the Church Finance Association.

The Year in Review

Over the last year we have seen interest rates begin to rise but the forecast for 2008 calls for rates to moderate. Church Finance is lending at rates lower than the prime interest rate.

This can be a windfall for churches that are looking to build new sanctuaries and expand their present facilities. Rates are still very attractive and if a church has building plans for the future now is a good time to move forward. Church Finance has positioned itself to meet present and future demands for funding from our churches. If your church has a need to borrow we would be most happy to speak with you and provide any assistance possible.

Will You Be A Part?

Regardless of whether you are an individual, auxiliary, or church you can be a part of this ministry. We need:

- Your **prayers**. Please remember the work of the Association in your prayers. Our goal continues to be helping each of our churches and ministries with their financial needs.
- Your **deposits**. We accept deposits from individuals, auxiliaries and churches. Please consider placing funds with us. Our rates as of 01/01/2008 are:

~ Endowments	3.00%
~ Fund Account \$1,000 Min	3.00%
~ Other deposits	1.25%

* Your **loans**. If your church is engaged in a building project, remodeling job, the purchase of land, or a remodeling project, the Church Finance Association will work with you to develop a loan program that best suits your needs and budget. In addition we have loans with rates fixed for up to five years. We are able to amortize loans for up to 25 years.

* Purchase **Memberships**. They are available at a cost of \$25.00 each. Memberships are available to all organizations and individuals within the denomination.

If you need additional information, please write the Convention Office in Ayden.

Church Finance Association Box 39 Ayden, NC 28513

Or call Donald Fader at 252-523-5800

The Board of Directors of The Church Finance Association are:

Walter Reynolds
Lester Duncan
Hubert S. Burrese
Joseph W. Rollins
Eugene Burkett

President
Vice President

CHURCH FINANCE ASSOCIATION

2007 YEAR END FINANCIAL REPORT

ASSETS

Cash in Bank	\$ 1,512,711
Mortgage Loans Receivable	2,351,007
Accrued Interest	9,615
Property and Equipment	3,742

TOTAL ASSETS

\$3,875,075

LIABILITIES

Demand Deposits	\$1,071,932
Members Equity	2,428,432
Accruals	1,101
Promissory Notes	375,610

TOTAL LIABILITIES

\$3,875,075

INCOME AND EXPENSES

	Budget 2008	Actual 2007	Budget 2007
Income:			
Interest on loans	180,000	183,628	202,500
Interest on Investments	20,000	34,555	12,000
Loan Fees, Construction int.	5,000	5,122	2,500
Contributions		2,855	
Total Income	205,000	226,160	217,000
Expenses:			
Interest Expense	65,000	69,422	72,000
Benefits		12,722	
Salaries and taxes	41,100	43,171	39,200
Retirement	6,000	6,000	6,000
Board, Director Expense	12,000	9,019	12,000
Office Expense	11,000	7,802	18,000
Total Expenses	135,100	148,136	147,200
Retained Earnings	69,900	78,024	69,800

(NOTES)

1) This financial report was prepared by management and a copy of the compilation and review has been provided to the Executive Committee. Taylor and Jones, CPAs, PA of Farmville, NC prepared the compilation and review.

2) Related Party Disclosure: Donald Fader serves as the Executive Director of the Free Will Baptist Minister's Program which has deposits with the Association as of December 31, 2007.



Cragmont Assembly Inc.

Inspiration, Instruction, Recreation

Mission Statement: "To operate, maintain and expand a conference center and place of retreat for all Original Free Will Baptists and seekers after Christ, who will come to Cragmont to experience Inspiration, receive Instruction and participate in Recreation directed towards spiritual growth."

Attendance record for 2007 Conferences

Morning Star = 146
Cragmont Youth Conf. = 167
General Youth I = 192
August Women's Conf. = 66

Minister's Conference = 59
Christian Cadet Conf. = 264
General Youth II = 191
Pee Dee Youth Conf. = 112

June Woman's Conf. = 26
Youth Frontier YFA/AFC = 115
Young People's Bible = 117
New Professions = 46

New Heights Phase II – Construction Has Been Completed



The dedication for our newest building, The Lassiter Family Center, was held on October 27, 2007. This facility provides space for multiple activities as well as a worship center for large camps and retreat groups. This building was made possible by the generous gift of the Lassiter family of Selma, NC.

2008 Schedule

Morning Star

March 28 – 30, 2008
Joan Little
7063 Stantonburg Road
Farmville, NC 27828
252-753-3217

Ministerial Association of OFWB

June 2 – 4, 2008
John Hill
312 Pineview Street
Lucama, NC 27851
252-239-1958

Day Spring Conference

June 4 – 7, 2008
Joan Little
7063 Stantonburg Road
Farmville, NC 27828
252-753-3217

Chirstain Cadet Conference

June 16 – 21, 2008
Wes Boyd
789 Riverbend Road
Goldsboro, NC 27530
919-736-9436

Youth Frontier Conference (YFA/AFC)

June 23 – 28, 2008
Frankie Baggett
5403 Weyerhaeuser Road
Ayden, NC 28513
252-746-7850

Cragmont Youth Conference

June 29 – July 3, 2008
Angela Mattox
4711 Edgewood Dr.
New Bern, NC 28562
252-637-5918

Bed, Breakfast & Blessings

July 3 – 7, 2008
Cragmont Assembly
1233 North Fork Road
Black Mountain, NC 28711
877-669-7677

General Youth I I Conference

July 7 – 12, 2008
John Robert Harris/Brad Williamson
PO Box 1141
Kinston, NC 28503
252-522-4505

General Youth I Conference

July 14 – 19, 2008
Bryant Hines
2407 Wild Turkey Road
New Bern, NC 28562
252-633-2683

Young People's Bible Conference

July 21 – 25, 2008
Chuck Owens
1071 Gurley Dairy Road
Pikeville, NC 27863
919-734-3320

August Women's Aux. Conference

July 27 – August 1, 2008
Joan Little
7063 Stantonburg Road
Farmville, NC 27828
252-753-3217

Pee Dee Youth Conference

August 6 – 9, 2007
Bryant Hines
2407 Wild Turkey Road
New Bern, NC 28562
252-633-2683

September Women's Mini Conference

September 19 – 21, 2008
Joan Little
7063 Stantonburg Road
Farmville, NC 27828
252-753-3217

<i>Cragmont Assembly, Inc.</i>	<i>2007 Budget</i>	<i>2007 Actual</i>	<i>2008 Budget</i>
<i>Income</i>			
OFWB Churches, Individuals	\$187,900.00	\$254,642.46	\$192,150.00
Cragmont Club	40,000.00	33,815.00	40,000.00
Conferences, Seminars & Visitors	318,000.00	294,149.00	342,850.00
Miscellaneous	5,000.00	13,645.06	5,000.00
Interest		13.07	
Total Revenues	\$550,900.00	\$596,264.59	\$580,000.00
<i>Expenses</i>			
Salaries & Employee Travels	\$190,000.00	\$191,100.80	195,175.00
Capital Expense		32,873.94	
Guest Food	75,000.00	74,054.25	75,175.00
Payroll Taxes	15,500.00	13,875.08	15,000.00
Retirement	6,100.00	5,536.73	6,100.00
Promotional	5,000.00	2,299.58	5,000.00
Housing	21,800.00	13,750.04	21,800.00
Bank Service Charges	1,500.00	1,731.11	1,500.00
Office Expenses	26,500.00	25,961.35	28,000.00
Professional Fees	1,000.00	1,500.00	1,500.00
Insurance	78,000.00	68,238.53	75,000.00
Miscellaneous	10,000.00	9,752.32	10,000.00
Rental Equipment	6,500.00	10,023.49	10,000.00
Utilities	48,000.00	63,524.45	69,000.00
Repairs & Maintenance	50,000.00	51,716.34	50,000.00
Consumables	13,000.00	12,050.83	13,000.00
Board travel & Meeting Expenses	500.00	208.87	500.00
Licenses & Permits	500.00	325.00	500.00
Linens	1,000.00	295.37	1,750.00
Refunds	1,000.00	1,240.00	1,000.00
Total Expenses	\$550,900.00	\$580,058.08	\$580,000.00

This Financial report was prepared by John Williams, Manager/Treasurer of Cragmont Assembly, Inc. A copy of the Annual Compilation prepared by Cheryl Garvy of Swannanoa, NC will be forwarded to the Executive Committee of the Convention of Original Free Will Baptist.



2008 CONVENTION REPORT

Greetings from **OFWB INTERNATIONAL, INC. (Foreign Missions)** to the Ninety-Sixth Annual Session of the Convention of Original Free Will Baptists.

The Board of Foreign Missions was created by the Convention and given the assignment to reach around the world with the Gospel. This Board takes this responsibility seriously, for we realize the value of every soul. We have faithful workers in India, Nepal, Bangladesh, Bulgaria, Mexico, Liberia, and the Philippines who daily take the Gospel to lost souls.

PHILIPPINES: The work in the Philippines continues to grow. In May of 2007, two couples were sent to Manila to begin a church planting ministry. They have started several Bible studies in different areas that we hope will become churches in the future. Pioneer work is very difficult and they need your prayers. Several new church buildings were completed during this year. A new kindergarten building is being constructed on the campus of Palawan Bible College in Puerto Princesa City, Palawan. This will enable us to minister to many more children and their families.

The Children's Home in Cebu continues to provide excellent care for the children. Some of the children were abandoned by their parents at birth and did not even have a name when they came to the home. These children were given a name by the courts.

Medical needs for many people were met during the year. One of the most memorable was a little girl named Beverly. She is from the Palawano Tribe in southern Palawan. She is three years old. Beverly was given an operation to give her proper bowel functions. She is doing great at this time. Thank you for giving and caring.

INDIA: The population of this country continues to expand. The sad thing is that this is a predominately Hindu country, and militant Hinduism is becoming more vocal and forceful. Persecution of Christians is on the rise. In the midst of this souls continue to be saved and churches established. We have faithful pastors and teachers who share the Gospel every day at the risk of their own lives. I visited with many of them in 2007 and was impressed by their dedication and their work.

The Children's Home in Gujarat has had to be completely renovated. Fire ants invaded the building and many of the children were bitten. A new cement floor had to be poured and brick walls were added to replace the walls made of bamboo, cow dung, and mud. New beds have been provided and they no longer have to sleep on the floor.

We have begun the support of another leprosy colony in the Calcutta area. Most of the people in this colony have accepted Christ as their Savior. We hope to be able to provide them with better housing this year.

NEPAL: The work in Nepal still continues to deal with the political confusion. The lack of a stable government hampers the growth of the work. Our schools and churches, however, continue to function and souls are being saved. This is one of the poorest countries in the world and the political confusion makes it even worst.

Anneel and Maalah recently took a survey trip to Katmandu, which is the capitol city of Nepal. We are looking at the possibility of opening a work there. Keep this strife torn country in your prayers.

BANGLADESH: The year 2007 was a difficult year for Bangladesh. The monsoon brought heavy flooding and many people were forced from their modest homes. Mr. Gupta gave out over one thousand relief packages, containing sixteen pounds of rice, two pounds of potatoes, two pounds of dhal, and two pounds of salt. On my visit to Bangladesh last September, I had the privilege to give out some of these relief goods. During the monsoon season, a monster cyclone struck the country. Once again we sent relief goods and funds to help restore some homes. The people whom we minister to were further inland and were not as badly affected as those on the coast.

Much of our work has to be in the social area, due to government restrictions. But through this ministry, we are able to show the love of Christ and win some to the Lord. This winter many people received warm blankets. We have also provided funds for tube wells and latrines through the gifts from the Vacation Bible School offerings. A sewing program has been started to teach women, who are mostly unemployed, a trade. A computer training program has been started to help people learn how to use a computer in hopes of getting employment.

Our schools are providing education to many children. These schools give us an opportunity to share Christ. We now have two churches in Bangladesh. This is wonderful development in this difficult place.

BULGARIA: The work in Varna was greatly blessed through the purchase of a bus to transport children and adults to the main building for training and worship. The bus is used every day for this purpose. This enables us to reach out to precious souls who are un-churched around this city.

The work in Balchik continues to minister to Gypsy children and adults. This is where the work in Bulgaria was started and has seen steady growth over the years. A lot has been purchased and plans are being prepared for a multi-purpose building in Balchik. This is greatly needed in order for the work to continue to expand. The Woman's Auxiliary has been very instrumental in raising funds for this project. We greatly appreciate their continuing efforts.

Willem and Lydia van der Plas continue to have medical issues, but their heart and life is in their work and God continues to bless them in their efforts. Keep them in your prayers.

MEXICO: This country to our south continues to be the focal point of our Short-Term Mission Team ministry. In 2007 we took four teams to Mexico. We built two houses for needy families, and one parsonage. This gives us great satisfaction to provide these dear people with adequate shelter. These teams provide an opportunity for many people to be involved in a cross-cultural experience that is life changing and yet benefits others.

Through Vacation Bible School and Bible studies many children and adults are presented the Gospel in an understandable way. One soul won to Jesus Christ is more valuable than all the buildings we could ever build.

One team went to Camp Morelos for a wonderful week with our Mexican Brothers and Sisters. Dr. David Moretz, a dentist from Beulaville, and his assistant, Susan Brown, provided free dental care to seventy people at the camp. They will be forever grateful.

A new mission, "Aposento Alto" (Upper Room) in Saltillo, Mexico is progressing. Sandra and some of the ladies visited there last summer and distributed used clothing to many of the children in that area. They were extremely grateful.

LIBERIA: The Board approved a joint venture to Africa with the Original Free Will Baptist of America, headed by Bishop L. N. Forbes. This past December, Dr. Frankie Baggett, Bishop LaVaughn Hughes, and I traveled to Monrovia, Liberia, Africa on a survey trip. I had made contact with Pastor D. Darlington Gnininte and believed this was a solid contact, as it turned out to be. We had a profitable trip and now have officially confirmed our agreement for this joint venture. We are excited about this effort and believe this is the Lord's open door at this time. Thank you for your prayer and financial support as we reach these precious souls with the Gospel.

WELLS: Wells have been installed in the Philippines, Nepal, and Bangladesh with the funds received from the Vacation Bible School offerings. We will continue to drill wells as they are needed in the countries where we work. We sincerely thank everyone who gave to provide fresh water to these dear people. Through these wells we have had the opportunity to share about the "Living Water."

DOLLAR DEVALUATION: The year 2007 was a difficult year for the US dollar around the world. It weakened against most currencies. This forced us to increase our budget to every country. Thank you for your faithful giving that made it possible to meet these increased needs.

The ***COMMAND*** and ***THE FREE WILL BAPTIST*** are published to keep our membership informed about the activities of our ministries. These are your best sources for information about the things that are taking place in India, Nepal, Bangladesh, Bulgaria, Mexico, Liberia, and the Philippines. I encourage you to subscribe to these publications today.

The **BUILD ONE FOR THEM** program has been a tremendous blessing to all of our fields. We have been able to construct church buildings, parsonages, and houses for the needy. We need churches to consider the needs of others and join us in this effort. There are always needs, and we encourage you to sponsor one of these building projects.

IMPORTANCE OF PRAYER: The Board of Foreign Missions realizes that our strength and supply comes from a loving Heavenly Father. We set aside several days throughout the year as days of prayer. We meet together to worship, praise, and take our petitions before the Lord. We pray for revival, for we know for our church to survive and grow we must have revival. We encourage you to pray for this ministry daily and to pray for revival in our Church.

SHORT-TERM TEAM MINISTRY has been a great blessing to all who have been on a team and to our fields. If you are interested in joining a team in the future, contact our office.

EXTEND AN INVITATION: To be better informed about the Foreign Missions Program, please give me an opportunity to visit your church.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR FAITHFULNESS IN THE FOLLOWING:

1. Pray daily for genuine spiritual revival in our churches.
2. Increase your contributions to Foreign Missions.
3. Participate in the yearly Telethon.
4. Remember Foreign Missions in your will.

PRAYER REQUESTS: PRAY DAILY FOR THE FOLLOWING:

1. For lost people around the world.
2. For laborers (Matt. 9:37).
3. For the financial needs of the Board.
4. For positive church growth on each field.
5. For God's wisdom in decisions and planning.
6. For protection and boldness for all our workers.
7. For a great spiritual awakening worldwide.

“Pray without ceasing” (I Thessalonians 5:17).

RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. That this report to the 2008 Convention be adopted.
2. That the Convention encourage every member to pray faithfully for revival and the Fulfillment of the Great Commission.
3. That the months of March and December continue to be designated as "Foreign Missions Month" in our Convention calendar.
4. That the Convention support the 2008 budget.

This report and recommendations are submitted on behalf of OFWB International, Inc.
Wayne King, Chairman Harold Jones, Executive Director

Included in this report are a financial statement and a list of churches and individuals who contributed to OFWB International, Inc. (Foreign Missions) in 2007.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Wayne King, Chairman
Phillip Boykin, Secretary
Gary Bailey

John Hill
Philip Wood
Henry Armstrong, Jr., (Honorary Member)

**“Only as the Church fulfills her missionary obligation
does she justify her existence.” –William Fetler**

OFWB INTERNATIONAL, INC.
BOARD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS
Financial Statement

CASH BALANCE JANUARY 2007

\$ 197,821

Year end 2007

Statement Date: December 31, 2007

	2007 Budget	2007 Actual	2008 Budget
REVENUES			
Free Will Baptist Churches and Individuals	\$640,135	\$657,004	\$712,836
Interest	1,000	6,294	1,000
Miscellaneous	<u>1,000</u>	<u>-0-</u>	<u>1,000</u>
TOTAL REVENUES BUDGET	\$642,135	\$663,298	\$714,836
Non-budget Receipts			
BUILD ONE FOR THEM	-0-	\$121,673	-0-
Short-Term Team	-0-	\$ 45,898	-0-
Special Projects	-0-	\$104,491	-0-
TOTAL RECEIPTS NON BUDGET	-0-	\$272,062	-0-
TOTAL RECEIPTS BUDGET/NON BUDGET	-0-	<u>\$935,360</u>	-0-
Cash Available		\$1,133,181	
Expenses-Budget Items			
Accounting & legal	\$ 700	600	700
Board Meetings	1,200	576	1,200
Housing	3,300	3,300	3,300
Insurance	7,569	7,627	4,509
Newsletter (COMMAND)	11,000	6,924	15,296
Postage	5,000	7,659	5,000
General Travel	3,000	3,810	3,000
Rent (Paid Convention)	6,060	6,180	6,060
Salaries	71,397	72,705	75,269
Telephone	600	866	600
Payroll Tax	6,551	5,338	5,975
Miscellaneous	4,000	2,898	4,000
Bulgaria	141,249	149,896	159,572
Mexico	74,774	81,294	79,174
Philippines	198,080	193,212	220,932
India	59,940	71,118	65,940
Nepal	8,040	11,206	8,940
Bangladesh	8,688	9,075	9,949
Liberia	-0-	6,699	15,000
Promotion	6,500	5,560	6,500
Office Supplies	2,800	6,620	2,800
Office Equipment & Service Agreements	2,000	433	2,000
World Missions Conference	2,000	-0-	2,000
Contingency	15,000	-0-	15,000
Service Charge (Convention & Bank)	<u>1,620</u>	<u>720</u>	<u>1,620</u>
TOTAL BUDGET EXPENSES	\$642,135	\$654,316	\$714,836
DIFFERENCE			8,982

Non budget Expenses

Build One for Them	\$164,479
Short-Term Team	\$ 52,957
Special Projects	<u>\$ 86,375</u>

TOTAL NON BUDGET EXPENSES

\$303,811

TOTAL EXPENSES BUDGET/NON BUDGET

\$958,127

CASH BALANCE December 31, 2007

\$175,054

OFWB INTERNATIONAL, INC. (Board of Foreign Missions) approved changes in the budget to comply with Generally Accepted Accounting Principles. This budget report is for the calendar year 2007.

BALANCE SHEET
YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2007

ASSETS**CURRENT ASSETS**

First Citizens Checking	\$47,253
Money Market Savings	\$62,121
Build One for Them Fund	<u>65,680</u>
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS	\$175,054

RESTRICTED ASSETS

Alford Endowment-*FCB	33,210
Beaman Endowment-*CFA	9,050
Buress Endowment-*CFA	700
Caroon-Grubbs Endowment-*CFA	3,277
Cratt Endowment-*CFA	856
Hott Endowmen-*CFA	882
House Endowmen-*CFA	5,000
Link Endowment-*CFA	5,000
Moore Endowment-*CFA	5,000
Reynolds Endowmen-*CFA	21,010
Scott Endowment-*CFA	<u>7,742</u>
TOTAL RESTRICTED ASSETS	\$91,727

TOTAL RESTRICTED & UNRESTRICTED ASSETS

\$266,781

LIABILITIES AND MEMBERS' EQUITY

Members' Equity - Restricted	\$ 91,727
Unrestricted	\$175,054

TOTAL LIABILITIES AND MEMBERS' EQUITY\$266,781

*FCB (First Citizens Bank)

*CFA (Church Finance Association)

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN MEMBERS' EQUITY
Year Ended December 31, 2007

Members' Equity – January 1, 2007 **\$287,238**

Plus: Excess of Receipts over Disbursements:

General Fund - FCB

Receipts \$ 935,360

Disbursements \$ 958,127 (22,767)

Endowments – CFA

Receipts – contributions \$ 2,310

Members' Equity – December 31, 2007 **\$266,781**

This financial report was prepared by Harold Jones, Executive Director of OFWB International, Inc. (Foreign Missions) and a copy of the Annual Compilation, prepared by Jan B. Murphy, Certified Public Accountant; Greenville, NC has been forwarded to the Executive Committee.

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**A LIST OF CONTRIBUTIONS TO OFWB INTERNATIONAL, INC.
JANUARY 1, 2007--DECEMBER 31, 2007**

ALBEMARLE

Albemarle Auxiliary Conv.	640.50	Steven's Chapel	1,036.00
Belhaven	400.13	Tee's Chapel	17,425.00
Free Union	3,873.00	Vandora Springs	676.50
Gum Neck	100.00	Wooten's Chapel	1,029.00
Hickory Chapel	3,017.25	Yelverton Grove	1,465.00
Malachi's Chapel	800.00	CENTRAL	
Mt. Tabor	3,510.00	Aspen Grove	1,250.00
Mt. Zion	1,332.29	Ayden	1,485.00
Plymouth, First	1,775.00	Bethany	2,756.50
Shiloh	951.96	Bethany	1,245.00
Sidney	2,469.42	Black Jack	18,283.08
Sound Side	6,396.70	Central Auxiliary Conv.	173.80
St. Paul	387.00	Community	130.00
Trinity	332.00	Daniel's Chapel	4,353.00
Union Chapel	3,073.72	Dilda's Grove	4,478.59
CAPE FEAR		Edgewood	1,669.05
Bethel	1,053.00	Elm Grove	15,985.55
Blended Fellowship	250.00	Free Union	4,453.42
Cape Fear Auxiliary Conv.	25.00	Friendship	28,727.11
Cape Fear Conf.	368.81	Greenville, First	4,216.40
Cape Fear Union Meeting	100.13	Grimsley	1,613.74
Cape Fear Youth Fellowship	400.00	Gum Swamp	2,908.98
Casey's Chapel	3,310.00	Harrell's Chapel	2,671.13
Covenant	215.47	Hickory Grove	1,952.75
Faith	2,489.50	Hillside	110.00
Goldsboro, First	6,140.50	Howell Swamp	2,615.00
Haymount	1,300.00	Hugo	2,538.00
Hopewell	5,374.29	Hull Road	14,020.00
Johnston Union	4,894.00	King's Cross Roads	10,346.00
Lanwood Chapel	625.00	La Grange	4,960.20
Lee's Chapel	10,847.32	Little Creek	2,136.55
Mount Olive	120.00	Marlboro	1,420.35
Oak Grove	825.00	Ormondsville	23,433.00
Palmer Memorial	2,323.46	Otters Creek	266.00
Pleasant Grove	1,600.81	Owens Chapel	3,782.00
Powhatan	5,666.83	Peace	75.00
Riverside	900.00	Piney Grove (Beaufort)	791.00
Robert's Grove	10,244.42	Piney Grove (Pitt)	1,812.32
Shady Grove	6,489.75	Pleasant Hill	1,004.00
Smithfield, First	739.16	Reedy Branch	12,953.02
Smyrna	250.00	Rocky Mount, First	2,212.00
St. Mary's Grove	1,850.00	Rose Hill	10,553.46
St. Paul	900.00	Rose of Sharon	6,851.42

Saint's Delight	569.25	Mt. Zion (Pamlico)	2,125.00
Saratoga	543.52	New Bethlehem	2,604.65
Spring Branch	1,800.00	New Haven	400.00
Sweet Gum Grove	1,226.06	Northeast	2,887.75
Tarboro, First	6,087.00	Oak Grove	1,700.00
Walnut Creek	1,050.00	Oriental	1,460.00
Watery Branch	523.30	Pearsall Chapel	1,886.30
Williamston, First	979.03	Pilgrim's Home	200.00
Winterville	32,426.20	Piney Grove	450.00
EASTERN		Rock of Zion	3,624.15
Antioch	5,615.00	Rooty Branch	14,217.00
Arapahoe	4,258.45	Russell's Creek	75.00
Beaufort	491.74	Saints Delight	291.88
Bethel	300.00	Sandy Plain	11,804.69
Bethlehem	5,019.00	Sarecta	1,129.00
Beulaville	4,237.00	Silver Creek	1,698.53
British Chapel	767.00	Smith's New Home	1,003.00
Cabin	408.00	Sneads Ferry	266.00
Camp Vandemere	125.00	Snow Hill	600.00
Christian Chapel	1,648.34	Sound View	15.00
Core Creek	4,400.00	Spring Hope	1,400.00
Core Point Chapel	1,337.92	St. Mary's	4,025.00
Crab Point	405.00	Trent	450.00
Croatan	1,800.00	Wardens Grove	478.73
Daly's Chapel	510.00	Warsaw, First	325.00
Davis	104.90	Welcome Home	100.00
Deep Run	917.00	Westside	6,616.00
Dublin Grove	1,200.40	Whaley's Chapel	284.78
Eastern Carteret Co. SS	44.00	White Hill	2,102.15
Eastern Conf. Fifth Union	180.40	White Oak Grove	2,008.90
Eastern Conference FWB	22.15	Wintergreen	3,136.00
Eastern Conference Third	56.59	PAUL PALMER	
Eastern Fifth SS Convention	325.00	Jakin	3,400.00
Eastern Layman's League	50.89	Paul Palmer Association	4,310.00
Edwards Chapel	376.98	White Pond	1,000.00
Folkstone	3,710.60	Zion	726.00
Free Union	201.00	PEE DEE	
Friendship	581.00	Beaverdam	4,685.16
Gethsemane	1,500.00	Little Bethel	250.00
Grant's Chapel	135.00	Mission Valley	150.00
Hillsberry	530.00	Mt. Calvary	215.00
Holly Springs	1,979.00	Oak Grove (PD)	713.35
Indian Springs	175.00	Pee Dee Union #1	100.00
Jackson Heights	250.00	Pee Dee Union #2	150.00
Juniper Chapel	3,865.00	Pee Dee Auxiliary Conv.	20.00
Kinston, First	969.00	Pireway	50.00
Lanier's Chapel	478.00	Thomasboro	300.00
Long Ridge	800.00	White Oak	1,251.35
Macedonia (E)	2,025.00	PIEDMONT	
May's Chapel	6,387.00	Bethany	1,189.00
Memorial (E)	841.36	Christ	100.00
Moseley's Creek	403.00	East Rockingham	2,444.00
Mt. Zion (Onslow)	275.00	Elwood Lane	1,295.46

Friendly Chapel	50.00	FWB Press	300.00
New Hope	100.00	Freddie (West Virginia)	150.00
Wayside	300.00	M. Rally (loose) offering	469.00
WESTERN		NCFWB Woman's Aux.	651.43
Barnes Hill	720.00	Unity Fellowship	1,640.00
Black Jack Grove	1,452.50	INDIVIDUALS	
Branch Chapel	8,379.50	Alice Kathryn Lamm	500.00
Durham, First	800.00	Alice Webster	36.00
Everett's Chapel	6,016.19	Alma G. Childers	50.00
Floods Chapel	850.00	Alvin and Ann Joyner	600.00
Free Spirit	177.44	Ann Moore	125.00
Free	435.00	April J. Holland	50.00
Fremont	1,185.00	Arlyn Branch	300.00
Friendship	2,493.77	Barbara S. Smith	1,000.00
Harmony	608.00	Becky Jo Sumner	912.90
Holly Springs	3,145.28	Benjamin Rouse	50.00
Kenly	1,305.79	Betty A. Moore	825.00
Little Rock	462.00	Bill Carson	100.00
Living Waters	1,515.00	Blanche A. House	1,450.00
Marsh Swamp	2,055.82	Brandon Roach	300.00
Micro	650.00	Brenda Joyner	20.00
Milbournie	5,904.00	Carol Davis	10.00
Mt. Zion (Nash)	5,799.00	Carol G. Prescott	50.00
Mt. Zion (Wilson)	925.00	Carolyn Lee Best	50.00
New Sandy Hill	500.00	Catherine E. Quinn	230.25
Northern	4,200.00	Catherine S. Cobb	50.00
Pine Level	1,043.00	Cathy W. Crumpler	400.00
Piney Grove	2,907.29	Celia Weston	200.00
Pleasant Grove	2,825.00	Charlotte Shelton	14,000.00
Pleasant Hill	1,965.00	Christine T. Langley	200.00
Pleasant Plain	237.00	Christopher Dyer	10.00
Rains Cross Roads	5,135.00	Clara Patrick	200.00
Rock Springs	2,860.00	Cleo S. Hinson	250.00
Sherron Acres	250.00	Clovis S Bowen	80.00
Spring Hill	2,081.00	Corbett Contracting, Inc.	1,000.00
St. Mary's	3,318.42	Crandall L. Fountain	1,000.00
Stancil's Chapel	2,448.60	Cynthia B. Brown	1,275.00
Stoney Creek	51,516.68	Daniel Hines	1,498.00
Stony Hill	3,020.00	Daphne L. Page	25.00
Trinity	2,711.00	David & Sherrie Jordan	150.00
Union Chapel	400.00	David A. Moretz	650.00
Union Grove	3,925.00	Deborah E. Hare	100.00
Unity	2,500.00	Dee Ann Maready	300.00
Victory	3,600.00	Dewey L. Powell, Jr.	55.00
Watson's Grove	350.00	Dianne B. Riley	75.00
Western Auxiliary Conv.	386.62	Donna A. Fredette	100.00
Western Conference Second	70.00	Donna D Seymour	50.00
Wildwood	500.00	Donna George	5.00
Wilson, First	25,175.00	Doris A. Smith	100.00
MISCELLANEOUS		Doris Hudson	100.00
Church Finance	250.00	Dorothy G. Underwood	25.00
Cragmont Woman's Conf.	1,145.00	Dorothy L. Gray	10.00

Dr. & Mrs. Opey D Jeanes	50.00	Joyce B. Brock	100.00
Dr. & Mrs. Randall Westbrook	25.00	Judith Kennedy	50.00
Dr. & Mrs. William Byrd	100.00	Julia K. Hill	20.00
Eleanor O. Pittman	300.00	Justin & Roxi Simpson	400.00
Elisa Freeze	50.00	Karen Arnette	50.00
Elma S. Walton	200.00	Karen J. Wise	275.00
Emily K. Perry	400.00	Katherine C. Highsmith	6,100.00
Emily S. Meeks	420.00	Kim C. Wells	50.00
Emma L. Williams	50.00	Larry Gates	100.00
Enzie H. Singleton	100.00	Laverle G. Batton	900.00
Esteline E. Tart	20.00	Leah McGlohon	1,800.00
Evelyn B. Hines	25.00	Lee H. Brown	50.00
Evelyn M. Williams	25.00	Linda Carol R. Johnson	50.00
Evelyn W Evans	100.00	Linda W. Futch	110.00
Fannie S. Bass	20.00	Lois F. Averette	100.00
Faye Langston	10.00	Lois R. Howell	40.00
Frances K. Bostic	20.00	Loretta R. Price	400.00
Frances Phillips	150.00	Lorraine & Antonio Tello	2,358.50
Frank C. Purvis	60.00	Lucille H. Roberson	100.00
Gertha Benton	5.00	Lucille Mc Lawhorn	5.00
Gertrude D Davis	50.00	Lucille W. Shackelford	24.00
Gladys C. Avery	600.00	Lucy K. Copeland	270.00
Glenda McLawhorn	600.00	Margaret A. Lassiter	275.00
Grace A. Hill	2,000.00	Margaret Carol Banks	25.00
H. Martin Lancaster	100.00	Margaret Grice	35.00
Hardie G. Hancock	3,125.37	Mark & Cindy Peele	50.00
Harold Jones	15,325.00	Marshall & Jan Stewart	100.00
Hazel Reel	500.00	Mary A. Ellis	100.00
Hilda Bullock	300.00	Mary C. Boyd	50.00
Ida S. Wynne	25.00	Mary Forehand	50.00
Ila Mae Davis	25.00	Mary Jane Vowinkel	100.00
J. B. McLawhorn	5.00	Mary W. Allen	150.00
J. Lynn Cale	200.00	Mavie Daughtry	530.82
Jackie P. Elmore	500.00	Maxine & Neil Barwick	10.00
James B. Malpass, Jr.	8,050.00	Maxine Benson	100.00
James E. Grantham	300.00	Maxine S. Sumner	25.00
James W. Corbett, Jr.	100.00	Melissa Barnett	1,300.00
Jane B. Keene	280.00	Merle A. Stephenson	200.00
Janet Brown	10.00	Michael D Creech	355.00
Janette W. Fulghum	50.00	Michele & Bryan K. Jones	100.00
Jean B. Wilson	25.00	Miscellaneous	10.00
Jean H. Potter	1,100.00	Mittie W. Lamm	100.00
Jean P Harris	25.00	Mona Tyson Hamm	50.00
Jeff & Meg J. Kidd	50.00	M/M A. J. McLawhorn	100.00
Jeremy Gray	375.00	M/M A. Lewis Carowan, Jr.	100.00
Jesse T. Suggs	20.00	M/M A. T. Windley	175.00
Jewell Lawrence	1,625.00	M/M Alton Ray Hines	2,015.00
Jim Best	10.00	M/M Amos Harris	1,500.00
Joan H. Little	200.00	M/M Andrew Paul	1,100.00
Joan S. Lassiter	50.00	M/M Arthur P. Bostic	3,575.00
JoAnn S Woodard	8,025.00	M/M Bardo Candler, Jr.	100.00
Joey P. Smith	600.00	M/M Bill Thompson	15.00
Joyce Adams	60.00	M/M Billy Ray Barbour	25.00

M/M Bobby A. Johnson	12.00	M/M Jerry W. McRoy	10,260.24
M/M Bobby D. Cole	300.00	M/M Jimmie D. Herring	300.00
M/M Bobby E. Weston	500.00	M/M Joey E. Weathington	300.00
M/M Boyd Sauls	100.00	M/M Joey L. Stancil	325.00
M/M Brian Wilson	165.00	M/M John J. Wiggins	460.00
M/M Bruce A. Bannister	300.00	M/M John L. Vernelson	20.00
M/M Bruce E. Gray	1,975.00	M/M John R. Manning	25.00
M/M Buford Stancil	100.00	M/M John W. Ellis	25.00
M/M C. S. Tart	125.00	M/M Johnnie I. Davenport	150.00
M/M C. W. Turner, Jr.	565.00	M/M Johnny B. Johnson	100.00
M/M Carroll W. Hawkins	2,200.00	M/M Joseph L. Smith	690.00
M/M Charles R. Ball	1,622.00	M/M Joseph L. Smith, Jr.	2,750.00
M/M Charles W. Craft, Jr.	2,000.00	M/M Joseph Williams	100.00
M/M Chris B. Viverette	500.00	M/M Keith Whitley	350.00
M/M Chris P. Markuson	25.00	M/M Kelley Smart	20.00
M/M Chuck Branch	1,650.00	M/M L. C. Wood	40.00
M/M Clifton M. Tew	100.00	M/M L. D. Combs	50.00
M/M D. Bruce Baird	1,800.00	M/M L. G. Grady	20.00
M/M Dallas Holton, Jr.	50.00	M/M L. Marvin Edwards, Jr	500.00
M/M Danny W. Creech	2,000.00	M/M L. R. Caroon	100.00
M/M Darren E. Davenport	100.00	M/M L. Wayne Bailey	550.00
M/M David A. Brewer	675.00	M/M Larry R. Henderson	50.00
M/M David E. Horne	100.00	M/M Lee Morton Jernigan	100.00
M/M David F. Trivette	50.00	M/M Leonard J. Barham	250.00
M/M David M. Glover	25.00	M/M Lester M. Boltinhouse	150.00
M/M Dennis D. Williams	3,094.00	M/M Lindbergh Mills	100.00
M/M Donnie Parker	300.00	M/M Linwood Pearce	25.00
M/M Earl Bielby	100.00	M/M Lloyd Dawson	50.00
M/M Elwood K. Mac Donald	50.00	M/M Lloyd W. Jones, Jr.	20.00
M/M Emmitt E. Jones	100.00	M/M Louis F. Holloway	180.00
M/M Erwin C. Hines	500.00	M/M Maehue Bailey	1,000.00
M/M Eugene Jernigan	1,400.00	M/M Marty Corbett	165.00
M/M Franklin D. James	210.00	M/M Melvin Hines	700.00
M/M G. B. Frazelle	3,200.00	M/M Michael T. Bowen	15,000.00
M/M Garland Wayne Williams	550.00	M/M Milton C. Kennedy	125.00
M/M Gary B. Collier	2,100.00	M/M Morris W. Mace	10.00
M/M Gary P. Gatlin	50.00	M/M Nelson A. Hall	450.00
M/M Gary W. Lee	100.00	M/M Noah Capps	100.00
M/M Gene T. Jernigan	1,000.00	M/M Noah Norman	300.00
M/M George Daniels	25.00	M/M Norman H. Gordan, Jr	20.00
M/M Gerald Tugwell	350.00	M/M Norman Widdis	2,500.00
M/M Gilbert M. Slaughter	240.00	M/M Odell Jernigan	250.00
M/M Greg Jones	5,000.00	M/M Percy Kennedy	150.00
M/M J. D. Arthur	50.00	M/M Pete Creech	3,260.00
M/M J. E. Sumerlin	650.00	M/M Peyton Lee	20.00
M/M J. Larry Letchworth	100.00	M/M Q. J. Sumner	150.00
M/M J. R. Bowen	20.00	M/M R. E. Spencer, Jr.	50.00
M/M James A. Barwick	25.00	M/M Ralph Whitehurst	200.00
M/M James Ray Gerrell	1,350.00	M/M Randall Smith	885.00
M/M James Roland Edwards	275.00	M/M Randy D. Doub	100.00
M/M James Roy Smith	100.00	M/M Raymond C. Gray	300.00
M/M Jarvis J. Mills	1,375.00	M/M Reid Southerland	25.00
M/M Jay T. Sauls	400.00	M/M Richard D. Hall	100.00

M/M Richard Jones	150.00	Ollie W. Thigpen	25.00
M/M Ricky Price	675.00	Pamela Sawyer	25.00
M/M Roamie W. Green	1,000.00	Patricia S. Radford	4,000.00
M/M Robert B. Wilkerson	300.00	Pearl F Overstreet	25.00
M/M Robert Cash	10.00	Pearl M. Coats	100.00
M/M Robert D. Stokes	100.00	Peggy A. Ivey	500.50
M/M Robert E. Weathersby	1,300.00	Phyllis E. Bass	500.00
M/M Robert L. Baker	125.00	Polly Cathy McNeeley	25.00
M/M Robert P. Hines	1,012.50	Polly Grady	15.00
M/M Robert R. Davis	525.00	Rachel & Chris Embler	450.00
M/M Robert R. Proctor	100.00	Raymond L. Howell	10.00
M/M Robert W. Pennington	30.00	Rebecca Davenport	100.00
M/M Rocky Kennedy	450.00	Rev./M Al Warrick	20.00
M/M Rodney G. Butler	50.00	Rev./M Andrew Hill	10.00
M/M Ronnie A. Barnes	50.00	Rev./M Arnold Price	20.00
M/M Roscoe P. Eason	100.00	Rev./M Ashley Trogdon	200.00
M/M Roy J. Weatherington	50.00	Rev./M Aubrey B. Williams	110.00
M/M Russell B. Brock, Jr.	50.00	Rev./M Bobby Tew	1,200.00
M/M Scott Jones	25.00	Rev./M Bryce Rouse	3,100.00
M/M Scott McCoy	540.00	Rev./M C. H. Overman	300.00
M/M Seth B. Cayton	2,238.94	Rev./M Dallas W. Byrd	95.00
M/M Stearle Pittman	750.00	Rev./M David Hill	20.00
M/M Ted Harrison	825.00	Rev./M David Hines	300.00
M/M Terry G. Coates	25.00	Rev./M David M. Langley	155.00
M/M Thomas Forrest	15.00	Rev./M David R. Thick	10.00
M/M Thomas G. Scherer	20.00	Rev./M Dean Kennedy	400.00
M/M Thomas Strickland	250.00	Rev./M Dennis Pollock	50.00
M/M Timmy Moye	425.00	Rev./M Doug Skinner	100.00
M/M Timothy L. Rowland	1,000.00	Rev./M Doug Tyson	25.00
M/M Tommie F. Bostic, Jr.	1,200.00	Rev./M Emmitt Jones	50.00
M/M Tony E. Peedin	20.00	Rev./M Frank Flowers	400.00
M/M Tony R. Holloman	3,000.00	Rev./M Fred Baker	50.00
M/M Vernon Braswell	100.00	Rev./M Gary Bailey	87.60
M/M Victor K. Jones	50.00	Rev./M Gene B. Britt	100.00
M/M Warren C. Phillips	1,051.00	Rev./M Gordon W. Hart	145.00
M/M Wayne Evans	1,475.00	Rev./M J. B. Narron	600.00
M/M Wayne Hare	150.00	Rev./M Jack Weathersby	100.00
M/M Wayne Overton	200.00	Rev./M James Bogle	25.00
M/M Weaver Baker	1,212.00	Rev./M James Gurganus	1,225.00
M/M Willard C. West	25.00	Rev./M James Rogerson	20.00
M/M Willard Keith Kennedy	12.50	Rev./M John Hill, Jr.	50.00
M/M William B. Willis, Sr.	50.00	Rev./M John Mark Windley	200.00
M/M William D. Jackson	20.00	Rev./M Lewis J. Forsythe	50.00
M/M William D. Veith	1,350.00	Rev./M Mickey L. Whitfield	2,050.00
M/M William Lassiter	90.00	Rev./M Mike Barnhill	25.00
M/M William P. Hodges	500.00	Rev./M Mike Scott	250.00
Nancy Boykin	50.00	Rev./M Owen K. Arthur	25.00
Nancy F. Lamm	50.00	Rev./M Paul Grubbs	50.00
Nannie M. Fields	195.00	Rev./M Philip Wood	100.00
Naomi A. Allen	100.00	Rev./M Phillip Boykin	60.00
Nellie R. & Lester T. Dail	50.00	Rev./M Ricky J Warren	110.00
Olive M. Smith	400.00	Rev./M Roney B. Bunn, Jr.	200.00
Ollie Langston	200.00	Rev./M Royce L. Reynolds	50.00

Rev./M T.O. Terry, Jr.	130.00
Rev./M Terry L. Dennis	25.00
Rev./M Thomas M. Parrish	150.00
Rev./M Tom Miller	20.00
Rev./M Woodrow W. Freeze	575.00
Rev. A. B. Bryan	50.00
Robert Allen Smith	20.00
Rose H. Jones	100.00
Rose Peele	100.00
Rose R. Phillips	10.00
Roy K. Whitfield	50.00
Sarah C. McCormack	200.00
Sarah S. Dixon	25.00
Sheila A. Benson	25.00
Shelby J Brooks	10.00
Shirley Carver	200.00
Shirley S. Whitehurst	1,125.00
Shirley T. Sellers	100.00
Stacy Johnson	50.00
Susan B. Brown	650.00
Tabatha Kennedy	75.00
Tammy Dixon	10.00
Tammy E. Hudson	615.00
Tammy Walker	50.00
Teresa Harris	50.00
Teresa Jones Davis	25.00
Thomas B. Underwood III	100.00
Timothy H. Stocks	200.00
Tom Wallace	40.00
Tony L. Johnson	50.00
Velma L. Wadsworth	20.00
Velma Morris	50.00
Vera Belle Spain	5.00
Verla P. Creech	100.00
Vickie W Wade	25.00
Viola T. Wilson	550.00



WORKING FOR GOD EFFECTIVELY

Thirty Sixth Annual Report
Home Missions & Evangelism
2008 Convention

IN SO MANY WAYS, SPIRITUAL DARKNESS SEEMS TO BE GROWING IN AMERICA. At the same time, the light of Jesus Christ can dispel the darkness as Original Free Will Baptists become involved in **PRAYING** for those around us, **CARING** for the hurting, and **SHARING** the Good News appropriately.

OUR ENDEAVOR is to follow our assignment and aim in planting churches, assisting the declining churches, charting scout units, helping our churches reach its community through effective evangelism, building a Disaster Relief Ministry that follows the Master's Plan, and developing a Bikers Ministry that includes a Prison Ministry.

2010 ESSENTIAL GOALS:

- Plant 5 mission/churches
- Assist declining churches/Harvest Covenant
- Charter 15 Boy Scout Units
- Plant 5 Hispanic mission/churches
- 5 county wide Hispanic revivals
- Out-reach/In-reach Evangelism Training
- Increase Touching Lives Corps
- 2 "Andrew's Place" (thrift store/soup kitchen)
- Biker/Prison Ministry
- Secure facility for Disaster Relief Ministry
- 250 membership - Disaster Relief Ministry
- Harvest Helpers Prayer Team
- Develop Mobile Ministry

TO DATE:

3 possibilities by 09
Five
Chartered three
Opened one
Held two
Conducted six
Seven youth groups
One in 2008
Accomplished
Accomplished
Exceed by 50 (300)
Completed by 09/08
Accomplished



CHURCH EXTENSION

Charity Mission - Whiteville, N.C.

Missionary, Shelton Cribb

Free Spirit - Wilson, NC

Missionary, Bobby Futrell

Daly's Chapel - LaGrange, NC

Missionary, Ronnie Taylor

Faith Training Center - Morehead City, NC

Coordinator, James Gurganus

Our constituency now has an adequate training facility located on the coast of North Carolina. Arrangements have been made with the Faith Original Free Will Baptist Church of Morehead City, North Carolina to establish the FAITH TRAINING CENTER. This gives the Board of Home Missions and Evangelism the opportunity to provide a place for training Director/Pastors and Coordinators of our mission/churches. It also sets the stage for training volunteer teams involved in our Disaster Relief Ministry. Other trainings are being developed that will enhance the overall work and ministry of our denomination.

Sunrise Landing Mobile Church

It was never the directive of Christ that His churches confine their activities inside a church house located at a certain street intersection. It was His plan that the churches go into the by-ways and hedges, and compel them to come in. The evangelism of the New Testament churches was: a roadside, wellside, seaside, bedside, tableside, outside-the-doors evangelism.

Georgia, Missionary & Funding needed

New Missionaries and New Fields

ETHNIC MISSIONS:

H'mongs 9 worship groups, California
 2 worship groups, North Carolina
 1 worship group, St. Paul, Minnesota
 1 worship group, Las Vegas, NV
 1 worship group, Salt Lake City, UT
 1 worship group, Milwaukee, WI

H'mong Youth Camp, California

H'mong Youth Camp, North Carolina

Hispanic Alpha & Omega OFWB, Ayden, NC
 Director, Dr. A. Graham Lane
 Coordinator, Jose Perez

Home Missions



COMMISSION ON SCOUTING

The future of America will be determined by the boys/girls and youth of today.

Original Free Will Baptists are concerned that young people develop into moral and responsible citizens. We further believe that this objective can best be accomplished through the influence and teaching of the Christian faith.

Because of these convictions, Original Free Will Baptists have assumed the responsibility to endorse and support Scouting with a Christian emphasis in every Original Free Will Baptist Church.

The Scouting program shall include all the boys/girls and youth of the community. We feel this is essential and expedient to the ongoing work of the Kingdom of God.



AMERICAN HERITAGE GIRLS

1. An American Heritage Girls troop can offer Christian teaching that includes prayer and Bible study.
2. American Heritage Girls can offer girls many activities they desire: outdoor trips, water sports and high adventure.
3. It can be an outreach to the community. It allows families to participate in a non-threatening church setting and encourages involvement in the church body.
4. AHG allows girls to put "legs on their faith" thus becoming an outward sign of Christ's love in their community.
5. American Heritage Girls is a complement to bible-based youth programs such as Sunday school and after-school programs. Children are able to live their faith through scouting as well as be surrounded by mentors of the faith.

American Heritage Girls is the premier national scouting organization for young women that embraces Christian values and encourages family involvement.



Evangelism



PROJECT KIDS KARE

*Project Kids Kare is a year-round ministry. Now is an excellent time to schedule this special project that could make a difference in a child's life.

Many children in America are in need and will be TOUCHED FOR A LIFETIME by Project Kids Kare, a ministry to children through The Harvest Connection.

By participating in this unique project, you, your family, church, school, or organization will be helping to reach needy children in America.

As you prepare your boxes with school supplies, toys, and small gifts, you will be sending a message of love and concern. Children who receive your boxes will learn of the wonderful love of Jesus through you.

When a child receives a box, they will also receive literature about the good news of Jesus Christ.

PRAY... for the child that will receive your gift box.



TOUCHING LIVES CORPS

1. College students, single adults, married couples, senior citizens
2. Persons who desire to do Home Missions endeavors for a weekend, a week, or a month.
3. Persons who are willing to be responsible for the raising of their own financial support for a Home Missionary "enterprise" may apply. If they are accepted, they will serve in the Touching Lives Corps.



LIGHTHOUSE MINISTRY

(Praying, Caring, Sharing)

- a. Usher Training
- b. Invitational Visitation
- c. JESUS Video Project
- d. Bible Distribution
- e. Canning Hunger
- f. Harvest Helpers



Evan gelism



BIKER/PRISON MINISTRY

The Reverend Dr. Timothy Webber, Coordinator

Our Bikers Ministry has a strong out-reach emphasis. This ministry takes us into youth detention centers, prisons, and motorcycle events where the Good News can be offered.



DISASTER RELIEF MINISTRY

(A member of North Carolina Interfaith Disaster Response)

The purposes of The Disaster Relief Ministry of Original Free Will Baptists are:

- a. To provide the skills of carpentry, plumbing, electrical, mechanical, cleaning, repairs, and other skills for those who have experienced DISASTER.
- b. To provide the opportunity for Original Free Will Baptists to be involved in a Compassion Ministry, sharing our Christian experiences.
- c. To provide the opportunity for our denomination to present THE CHURCH IN ACTION.
- d. At the same time we assist those who have experienced DISASTER, we will endeavor to share the Gospel of Jesus Christ in every way possible.
- e. Our connection:
 - North Carolina Interfaith Disaster Response
 - Federal Emergency Management Association
 - North Carolina Emergency Management
 - Nat'l and NC Voluntary Organizations Active In Disaster
 - Community in Crisis, Inc.
 - Community Emergency Response Team

To learn more about the ministries of Home Missions and Evangelism and how you or your church can participate in reaching your community and America for Christ, please contact our offices at (252) 526-9908, by e-mail to assistant@ofwbhommisions.org, or write to 2600 W. Vernon Ave., Kinston, NC 28504



Evangelism

HOME MISSIONS & EVANGELISM

FINANCIAL STATEMENT



Revenue	Budget 2007	Actual 2007	Budget 2008
Churches	200,000.00	241,710.28	250,000.00
Individuals	25,000.00	76,766.70	25,000.00
Sowers/Seed Club	2,000.00	432.00	2,000.00
Endowments	5,000.00	100.00	5,000.00
Other	35,000.00	40,092.75	45,000.00
Interest	2,500.00	1,642.93	2,000.00
Insurance Reimb.	0.00	1,151.90	2,000.00
Misc. Reimb.	1,300.00	5,694.82	0.00
Conference/Union	4,500.00	2,993.40	4,000.00
New Projects	46,000.00	3,654.08	52,000.00
Gifts in Kind	12,000.00	6,460.00	12,000.00
Disaster Relief	75,000.00	82,450.61	90,000.00
Rent (Living Faith)	0.00	12,600.00	12,600.00
Biker/Prison Ministry	<u>0.00</u>	<u>8,646.13</u>	<u>6,000.00</u>
Total Revenue	408,300.00	484,395.60	507,600.00

EXPENSES

Home Missions	60,000.00	57,752.88	87,700.00
Harvest Covenant	2,500.00	500.00	5,200.00
Ethnic Missions	25,000.00	27,727.79	35,000.00
Spanish Missions	8,400.00	3,015.59	5,200.00
Proposed New Work	13,700.00	0.00	15,000.00
Evangelism	6,000.00	19,458.18	20,000.00
Scouting	4,000.00	0.00	4,000.00
Disaster Relief	75,000.00	68,732.81	85,000.00
Special Projects	41,200.00	59,677.84	75,000.00
General Operations	<u>172,500.00</u>	<u>155,664.13</u>	<u>175,500.00</u>
	408,300.00	392,529.22	507,600.00

HOME MISSIONS & EVANGELISM 2007 REPORT



FINANCIAL STATEMENT (CONTINUED)

Nonbudgeted Items

Income

Baxley, Georgia (satellite) 3,140.00

Expenses

Baxley, Georgia (satellite) 4,829.84

* This financial report was prepared by Management and a copy of the Annual Compilation will be prepared by a Certified Public Accountant and will be forwarded to the Executive Committee.

Recommendations to the 2008 Convention:

1. That the Convention receive the 2007 report of Home Missions and Evangelism.
2. That the Convention continue to designate April as Home Missions and Evangelism Month and that the fourth Sunday be designated as Home Missions and Evangelism Sunday in every Original Free Will Baptist Church.
3. That the Convention continue to designate September as Disaster Relief Month in every Original Free Will Baptist Church.

Respectfully submitted:

Board of Directors

Mr. Howard McPherson, *Chairman*
Mr. Peyton Lee, *Vice Chairman*
Reverend Lewis Forsythe, *Secretary*
Reverend Bruce Jones
Reverend Braxton Carter
Reverend Mrs. Carlee Stallard
Mr. Wayne Britt

Volunteer Disaster Relief Team

Reverend Harold Swinson, *Food Coord.*
Reverend Tim Heath, *Tent Coord.*
Reverend & Mrs. Terry Ellis, *Harvest
Helper Coordinators*

Staff

Reverend David C. Hansley, *Executive Director*
Mrs. Laura Monroe, *Administrative Assistant*
Reverend A. Graham Lane, *Ethnic Coordinator*
Mr. Roy Wetherington, *Disaster Relief Coordinator*
Reverend Francis Garner, *Service Coordinator*
Reverend James Gurganus, *Faith Training Center Coordinator*

**FINANCIAL STATEMENT (CONTINUED)****BALANCE SHEET December 31, 2007****Assets:**

Current Assets:

BB&T Checking Account	\$ 2,283.79
BB&T Savings Account	39,565.06
Contingency Fund	<u>566.71</u>

\$42,415.56

Restricted Assets:

Endowments & Artwork	\$ 67,692.64
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\$67,692.64

Fixed Assets:

Office Equipment & Furniture	\$ 37,355.90
Morehead City Property	475,000.00
Wilson Property	300,000.00
Kinston Property	330,000.00
Landis Property	275,000.00
Whiteville Property	84,500.00
Vehicles	107,533.75
Tent Equipment	<u>15,500.00</u>

Total Assets	<u>\$1,624,889.65</u>
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\$ 1,734,997.85**Liabilities and Capital:**

Liabilities:

Notes Payable - Church Finance	\$182,548.22
Note Payable - Auto	11,140.43
Note Payable - Kinston facility	<u>267,400.00</u>
Total Liabilities	

\$ 461,088.65

Net Assets:

Unrestricted	\$1,206,216.56
Restricted	<u>67,692.64</u>

Total Net Assets	<u>\$ 1,273,909.20</u>
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Total Liabilities and Capital	<u>\$ 1,734,997.85</u>
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The Free Will Baptist Minister's Program

Annual Report to the 2008 Convention of Original Free Will Baptists

Mission Statement

It is the purpose of The Free Will Baptist Minister's Program to serve the churches and ministers of the Convention of Original Free Will Baptists. It is our assertion that the minister can best meet the spiritual requirements of a congregation if he is unencumbered by the burden of financial insecurity. To this end we provide administrative services, information resources, and educational opportunities. These are designed to help the minister and the local church plan together a program of compensation and benefits designed to meet the minister's present and future financial needs.

Meeting Needs

Meeting needs is what the Minister's Program is all about. This program was brought into existence to help prepare the minister for the financial eventualities of life.

To do this, we try to help educate the church and the minister about the unique needs of the pastorate. Our goal is not to provide for the minister, that is the church's responsibility, but to help the church and the minister plan together so that at all stages of life the minister can serve without the burden of financial concerns holding him back.

The Minister's Program is an extension of the local church administering programs that the church could not provide on their own. We stand ready to work with the minister and the church to help them accomplish the goal of working together in a lifetime of financial planning. Ministers step out in faith to answer God's call. That faith is based on the belief that God will prepare them and provide for them.

We believe that God channels His provisions through the church and it is required of them to be good stewards as it relates to their care of the pastor. This does not apply exclusively to matters of compensation, but also to support, appreciation, and willingness on the part of the church to be lead. Please consider areas that the Minister's Program can work with you to help build a strong working relationship with your pastor.

The rough draft of *A Guide for Pastor/Church Relations* has been forwarded to the Executive Committee for review and we anticipate that it will be going to the printer very soon. This publication will address the issues that confront the pew and the pulpit.

The Year in Review

Retirement News The retirement plan continues to operate in a safe and sound fashion assuring those participating ministers that when they decide to retire the plan will be ready to serve their needs. To insure the integrity of the retirement program it is reviewed regularly by an independent organization in an effort to make certain that those

depending on these benefits will be confident that the Minister's Program will provide the oversight and management necessary to make sure that their retirement benefits continue to be paid as agreed. Those ministers that are currently preparing and planning for retirement have the satisfaction of knowing that their plan is well designed and is among the most advanced plans available for ministers. This program enjoys benefits that make it unmatched in the private sector.

Does your minister have a plan for retirement? Churches should help their pastor prepare for the future by funding his retirement plan today. Contact the Minister's Program for any help you may need as you assist your pastor so that he can retire with the dignity and security that his calling deserves.

Christmas Cheer This program has been very well received by our ministers and churches since it was first implemented. For the third time since this program was started the amount has increased to \$150. Each year the Minister's Program sends a gift to all ministers age 65 and older. It is a gift from the churches of the Convention to men who have literally given their lives to the gospel ministry and this program is a way of saying we remember you, and we are grateful for what you have done.

This program is not self-supporting and we continue to encourage our churches to support this program. While the response has been very good we still have churches that do not give at all to this program and we would like to invite them to make 2008 the year they say "thank you".

The Minister's Widows Fund and Surviving Minister's Fund Another program we offer to our ministers and their wives is the Minister's Widows Fund and the Surviving Minister's Fund. For those who participate, this program provides a meaningful gift for fellow ministers during a time of loss. For the first time in 40 years the enrollment fee has been increased to \$15. This has been done to increase the benefit received by the spouses of the participants. Every dollar of the new amount will be forwarded to the widow when a participant dies.

Since the last seating of this Convention we have lost by death five members who participated in the Minister's Widows Fund, The Reverends Ed Miles, Robert Burke, Garland Suggs, Roy Clifton and Norman Ard. The Surviving Minister's Fund reported the death of the wives of three ministers, Velma Hilbourne the wife of The Reverend Dewey Hilbourne, Faye Sutton the wife of The Reverend Walter Sutton and Evelyn Reynolds wife of The Reverend Walter Reynolds.

The Minister's Program will continue to maintain a comprehensive plan whereby churches and pastors can work together, and we will make every effort to keep everyone informed in the area of taxation, compensation, retirement, and financial planning.

What Can Your Church Do?

The only limit to the scope of this program is the level of support we receive from you, the local church. Your gift to us is a sacred trust and we make every effort to provide the greatest benefit to our ministers with a minimum outlay for administrative costs.

We hope that you appreciate this fact and that you will continue to support this program with your prayers and gifts. Last year our total gift support from churches was \$73,526. However, over a third of the churches of this Convention did not support the Minister's Program. Did your church give? Please tell us what we need to do to earn the trust and confidence necessary to receive your support.

We ask that you consider the following challenge:

Gift Challenges

For churches with less than 100 members	\$150.00
100 - 149	\$300.00
150 - 199	\$400.00
Over 200	\$500.00

If we can help you in any way please call on us.

Phillip Boykin, Chairman
Sherman Dilley, Vice Chairman
Stanley Buck
Randall Smith
Richard Glosson

Recommendations

- 1) We ask this Convention's continuous prayers in support of this program.
- 2) We ask for approval of the budget presented.
- 3) We ask that October be designated as Minister's Program Month and that the second Sunday in October be set aside as Clergy Appreciation Day. In addition, we ask that the second Sunday in June be set aside as Minister's Program Sunday in the local church.

THE FREE WILL BAPTIST MINISTER'S PROGRAM

**Box 39
Ayden, NC 28513**

**Donald Fader, Director
252-523-5800**

**The Free Will Baptist Minister's Program
Financial Report
12/31/2007
Balance Sheet**

ASSETS

Cash in Banks	\$433,708.99
Deposits with CFA	7,581.39
Equity Holdings (Stocks, bonds, etc)	978,975.52
Other Current Assets	408.98
Office Equip	1,050.00

TOTAL ASSETS	\$1,421,724.88
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LIABILITIES

Retirement Reserve	\$1,266,811.08
Accruals	23,359.72
Fund Balance	\$131,554.68

TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$1,421,724.88
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**Income and Expense
12/31/2007**

	2008 Budget	2007 Actual	2007 Budget
INCOME			
Church/ Ind. Contributions	75,000	73,526.26	70,000
Interest and Dividend	35,000	72,924.94	40,000
Retirement Contributions	85,000	96,060.77	80,500
Widows and Ministers Fund	-0-	16,840.00	-0-
TOTAL INCOME	195,000	259,351.97	190,500

Report continued on the next page

The Free Will Baptist Minister's Program Financial Report

EXPENSES

	2008 Budget	2007 Actual	2007 Budget
Insurance Premiums	2,000	1,860.24	2,000
Retirement Benefits	107,325	152,723.00	109,000
Retirement Distribution	4,000	2,924.00	4,500
Hardship Grants	3,000	72.50	3,000
Christmas Cheer	16,000	14,250.00	16,000
Professional Fees	3,000	8,116.60	2,000
Office Expense	17,000	15,012.58	15,000
Board and Director Expense	8,000	6,745.32	6,000
Director	24,000	23,700.00	23,000
Retirement	7,000	6,000.00	6,000
Payroll Taxes	3,675	3,431.40	3,500
Widows and Minister's Fund	-0-	13,390.00	-0-
TOTAL EXPENSES	195,000	248,225.64	180,000
Retirement Reserve		12,617.55	
(LOSS) OR GAIN		(1,491.22)	

See management's accompanying notes.

- 1) This financial report was prepared by management.
- 2) The accounting firm of Page and Smith, PA, CPAs provides a quarterly compilation report, and a consolidated year end statement to the Board of Directors, a copy of which has been provided to the Executive Committee of the Convention.
- 3) The Minister's Retirement Program is regularly valued and certified by the AON Consulting, a nationally recognized benefits firm.
- 4) The Minister's Program has deposits with Church Finance Association, Inc. The director of the Minister's Program is employed part time with the CFA.



MOUNT OLIVE COLLEGE

TRANSFORMING EDUCATION.
TRANSFORM YOUR LIFE.

Chartered November 27, 1951

FIFTY-SEVENTH ANNUAL REPORT TO THE CONVENTION OF ORIGINAL FREE WILL BAPTISTS MARCH 20, 2008

Mission

"To operate and maintain a private church-affiliated college for the education of men and women that offers programs, including professional studies, that are rooted in the liberal arts tradition and provided in an environment nurtured by Christian values;

"To maintain and support academic excellence through higher learning and higher values in a community made up of persons dedicated to the practice and advancement of Biblically based Christian ideals and Christ centered living in all aspects of life;

"To seek and require higher standards in providing relevant educational programs reflecting an emphasis on the personal growth of each student at places and times that enhance the possible."

Sponsorship and Governance

Mount Olive College is a Christian ministry of the Convention of Original Free Will Baptists and is governed by a thirty-member Board of Trustees "consistent with the Charter of the College." Membership on the Board is by election of the Convention.

Contact persons for services related to the church:

President
Chair, Department of Religion
Director of Alumni Relations
Curator of the Free Will Baptist Historical Collection
Campus Minister
Director of Financial Aid (Scholarships, Grants, Loans)
Director of Church Support
Director of Planned Giving
Director of Public Affairs
Director of Admissions
Campus Bookstore Manager

Dr. J. William Byrd
Dr. K. David Hines
Ms. Dianne B. Riley
Mr. Gary F. Barefoot
Dr. Greg Day
Mrs. Katrina Lee
Mrs. Jean F. Ackiss
The Reverend Jeff Daughtry
Mrs. Rhonda E. Jessup
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Mount Olive College...Effectively Transforming Lives

2007... A Year in Review

Mount Olive College was denoted the fifth largest, the fastest growing and the third most affordable private college in NC.

The College served 4,624 students from July 1, 2006 to June 30, 2007.

MOC served students from 65 counties, 26 states and 7 foreign countries.

The College provided more than \$3 million in institutional scholarships last year.

MOC offers more than 40 majors, including seven programs specially designed for working adults.

Eighty-five percent of the College's full-time faculty have terminal degrees.

The College's endowment grew by \$975,630 during the 06-07 fiscal year. This brings the gift total in endowment to \$20,673,492.36 through 6-30-07.

Support from the Church Dinner Program totaled \$529,764 in 2007 with 2,201 Bridge Builders.

Many of the College's offices and departments were relocated as the College occupied the W. Burkette and Rose M. Raper Hall, Pope Wellness Center and the Communications Building.

A new major in chemistry was introduced and classes began in the fall semester.

Classes in the College's new forensic science major began in the fall.

MOC partnered with North Carolina State University to offer an agri-science education program.

MOC held its first summer graduation, bringing the total number of graduations held in a calendar year to three.

MOC graduated 854 students in 2007 (378 in May, 102 in August and 374 in December).

The Pope Wellness Center celebrated its one year anniversary with 1,250 students, employees and community members benefiting from the services and equipment provided at the Center.

Mount Olive College was awarded a \$280,000 grant from the Kate B. Reynolds Charitable Trust to be used for the College's new program dubbed Fitness by Design (FBD), a regionally focused program of the Pope Wellness Center that targets at-risk families from Wayne, Duplin and Sampson Counties.

MOC partnered with North Carolina Central University for Early Childhood Education program. The partnership allows graduates of the ECE program to seek B-K licensure through NCCU.

MOC appointed Dr. T. J. Arrant as provost of the College, a new position of leadership within the institution.

Eleven students traveled to Costa Rica with the Honors Program for spring break.

Five MOC students received awards at the state Leadership Conference competition of the NC State Chapter of Phi Beta Lambda (PBL).

Seventeen MOC students experienced a twelve-day travel abroad program to Greece.

MOC dedicated the student computer lab in the Communications Building in honor of the B. Harold and Annie Bell Lamm Williamson family for their support to the College. The Williamsons established an endowment to provide for the maintenance and upkeep of the building.

Mount Olive College named a computerized classroom in Raper Hall in honor of Milford R. and Reba S. Quinn.

- The College received a collection of original Jacques Hnizdovsky prints to add to its existing collection. The College is now one of the largest holders of the artist's works in the world.
- The soccer field at Mount Olive College was named in honor of Ray and Chris Amon, and a dedication ceremony was held in August to honor all those who contributed to the project which included adding lights to the field.
- Mount Olive College dedicated its Agribusiness Center in memory of Lois G. Britt during the 2007 Alumni Weekend.
- MOC has 16 NCAA Division II teams.
- The Trojans have won 17 conference titles in the past 6 years.
- Mount Olive has had at least one NCAA Tournament participant in each of the last six years and at least two NCAA Tournament participants in each of the last five years.
- The annual Michael Martin Tournament raised \$32,000 to support student scholarships.
- More than 136 sponsors and a small army of volunteers raised more than \$134,000 from the 21st Annual Handy Mart – Mount Olive College Invitational Golf Tournament.
- Mount Olive College installed all new campus signage, including adding new large-scale maps at both of the campus entrances.
- Seven MOC Collegiate FFA members attended the national FFA Convention in Indianapolis.
- The Lois G. Britt Agribusiness Center began a monthly lunch-and-learn seminar series open to the public.
- MOC Washington added 5000 additional square feet to its educational facilities, including four additional classrooms and a 20-seat computer lab.
- MOC continues to offer cultural opportunities through its MOC Recital Series with four concerts annually.
- Judson Pope and Jerilyn Lee joined the Mount Olive College Board of Trustees.
- MOC created an Office of Sponsored Programs and hired a director to seek and process grants.
- The first Society Gala was held in September to honor donors who contribute \$1,000 or more annually to the College. It was an evening of fine dining, fabulous music and side-splitting entertainment.
- The North Carolina Biotechnology Center (NCBC) awarded MOC over \$71,000 to establish a cell culture and molecular biology laboratory that will be used to train students in traditional cell and molecular biology.
- The R. A. Bryan Foundation pledged \$100,000 to MOC to advance the College's plans to build a Fine Arts Village.



Take the family to an MOC game.
For a complete list of athletic events,
visit www.moc.edu

Looking Ahead in 2008 and Beyond

MOC vows to maintain its **commitment to Christian principles.**

Two New Residence Halls - These structures will be the first two units in a residence hall court to contain four units and a club house. Funds for this project have been generously provided by an anonymous donor. It is expected that students will occupy the first two structures in fall of 2009.

With its inauguration in 2008, the **Tillman School of Business Distinguished Speaker Series** will bring speakers of national and international renown to the School several times a year to provide timely insight, provoke thought and stimulate conversation about some of our time's most compelling regional, national and global issues and events.

Leadership for the Future - in summer 2008 Mount Olive College will begin the search for a new president. When that person is selected, Dr. J. William Byrd will be appointed Chancellor of the College. In this new role, he will concentrate on external relations and special projects with continuing involvement with Institutional Advancement.

Mega-bookseller Barnes & Noble College Booksellers, Inc., who is now managing the campus bookstore, is planning for the bookstore to be relocated by the beginning of the 2008 fall semester to what is now the Academic Affairs building at the entrance to campus.

MOC Society Gala, to honor those donors that contribute \$1000 or more annually to the College, will be held on Friday, September 5, 2008.

Momentum to raise funds for the construction of the **Fine Arts Village (FAV) at Mount Olive College** is gaining. The FAV will combine renovation of existing facilities with new construction to provide a vibrant arts outreach to rural Eastern North Carolina. The FAV will include an open-air amphitheater surrounded by individual arts and crafts studios; an instrumental music building for practice and rehearsal areas; and the renovation of Laughinghouse Hall.

The **Center for American Studies (CAS)** Advisory Board is being established to further the vision of the CAS on the campus of Mount Olive College. The CAS would be a two story, 40,000 square foot facility housing the Museum of American Prehistory, the research laboratory of geoarchaeology and academic facilities designated for the teaching and advancing research in geoarchaeology and related fields. Together the museum and research lab will constitute a comprehensive approach to meet the research and education needs of pre-historians, educators and the general public.

In mid-summer of 2008 **Mount Olive College at Wilmington** will move into new facilities across from the upscale Mayfaire Shopping Center; all administrative offices and classrooms will finally be in the same building.

To configure MOC New Bern, physically and strategically, to meet the needs of the larger community and to insure continued growth in eastern North Carolina, the **New Bern location is looking to acquire new educational facilities.**

The offices of information technology and marketing at Mount Olive College announce the **unveiling of a new website design** that includes streaming video and blogs. Check out the new design as it continues to evolve at www.moc.edu.

2006-2007 Total Gift Support for All Purposes

The College gratefully acknowledges gift support from 3,663 donors during the 2006-2007 fiscal year. The list below reports total support for all purposes from the following constituents.

\$ 283,153.72	FWB Churches and church-related organizations (In addition, the College received \$597,031 from individual FWBs in some of the categories below for a total of \$880,184.)
2,550,807.12	Individuals
280,597.81	Foundations
110,699.58	Personnel
183,502.44	Trustees
1,183,431.16	Alumni
<u>590,211.17</u>	<u>Corporations</u>
\$ 5,182,403.00	<i>Total Gift Support for 2006-07</i>

Opportunities Fund:

\$ 125,497.33	Gifts received for the Opportunities Fund (A fund designed to enable the College to provide scholarships through direct contributions.)
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W. Burkette and Rose M. Raper Hall

\$ 439,711.87	Gifts and Pledges received as of February 28, 2007 in honor of Dr. and Mrs. Raper for The W. Burkette and Rose M. Raper Hall.
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Endowed Funds (7/1/06 – 6/30/07)

New Endowed Funds established:

The Carrie Lou Bowden Asbill Endowed Scholarship Fund
The Ruth and Purnell Bailey Endowed Library Fund
The Verla Phillips and L. Graham Creech Endowed Scholarship Fund
The Mary Hill Denning Endowed Scholarship Fund
The S.G. and Louise Brown Flowers Endowed Scholarship Fund
The Earl Hollis and Marie Gilbert Glenn Endowed Scholarship Fund
The D. Frank and Anne Exum Hinnant Endowed Ministerial Scholarship Fund
The Betsy and June Martin Endowed Scholarship Fund
The Lorelle F. Martin Lecture Endowed Fund
The Caroline Castelloe Rouse Family Endowed Scholarship Fund
The Dr. H. Don Scott Endowed Agribusiness Scholarship Fund
The Saint Thomas Aquinas Endowed Scholarship Fund
The Lewis H. and Ethel Windley Sullivan Endowed Scholarship Fund
The Robert L. Tillman Endowed Business Fund
The Dr. Billy R. and Virginia B. Yawn Endowed Ministerial Scholarship Fund

Endowed Funds that Reached \$10,000:

The Lida S. and Harvey H. Casey, Sr. Endowed Fund
The Velva Daughtry Endowed Scholarship Fund
The Robert M. Fader Family Endowed Scholarship Fund
The S.G. and Louise Brown Flowers Endowed Scholarship Fund

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Annual College Dinners

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For 44 years the annual dinner program has helped greatly to develop and continue the relationship of the College with the FWB Church. The dinners are a way for the College to minister with the FWB Church, our founding body. It is an annual fund program allowing Free Will Baptists to provide financial support to help people become all they were created to be. It is also an opportunity for FWB students to learn about educational opportunities at the College and for present students to share their talents through a musical program presented by the music department.

During the 2007 dinners more than 2,400 donors contributed to the dinner program, bringing the total to more than \$529,764. Of those contributing 2,201 were designated as Bridge Builders, giving \$100 or more. These gifts play a significant role in helping the College develop and serve the needs of our students.

Jean F. Ackiss, director of Church Support, coordinates the dinner program.

Bridge Builders Appreciation Dinner

The annual Bridge Builders Appreciation Dinner is an event that expresses appreciation to the 2,201 persons who were Bridge Builders at the 2007 dinners. This year's dinner will be on Saturday, September 27, 2008 at 6:00 p.m. in the Lois K. Murphy Regional Center. The best way to express our appreciation is to show our donors how their gifts are being used by seeing the product they are supporting. The highlight of the program will be the Mount Olive College Concert Choir and Free Spirit, under the direction of Dr. Alan Armstrong, as they present a program of sacred music.

***For a list of coming events at
Mount Olive College,
visit www.moc.edu/events***

Planned Giving

The Office of Planned Giving works with donors to assist in developing a plan of support of MOC that is meaningful to them. A planned gift requires careful consideration of the financial, personal, and charitable objectives of donors and frequently involves input from their financial and legal advisors. Many planned gifts are outright gifts. Other planned gifts are deferred where the donor retains some level of control over the assets for either one or more lifetimes or a term of years. A life income gift, such as a charitable gift annuity or a charitable remainder trust, pays income to the named beneficiary for life or a term of years. Only after the life income terminates is the gift available to MOC for the purpose designated by the donor. A properly planned gift may help you reduce or eliminate capital gains and gift and estate taxes. You may also realize immediate tax savings.

Examples of planned gifts

Life Income Gifts

- Charitable Gift Annuity
- Charitable Remainder Trust
- Testamentary Life Income Gift

Other Planned Gifts

- Bequest
- Retirement Plan Gift
- Retained Life Interest Gift

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- the ability to totally designate how the gift will be used at MOC
- Mount Olive College Society membership
- income tax deduction or avoidance
- preferential capital gains tax treatment
- income for life or a term of years
- removal of the value of the asset from your taxable estate
- reduction in estate and gift taxes
- the personal satisfaction of making a gift to MOC

For more information on making a planned gift and the benefits you and your family might enjoy, please contact Jeff Daughtry, director of Planned Giving confidentially at (919) 658-7831 or jdaughtry@moc.edu.

Mount Olive College Alumni

Mount Olive College alumni can be found working in numerous types of careers all over the world, making a difference in the communities where they serve. The College prides itself on its capacity to serve communities through its graduates, upholding the mission and furthering the purpose of the institution. Mount Olive College is proud of its alumni. Membership is open to all former students who were ever enrolled.

The Alumni Board is made up of 39 members with 56.4% having FWB ties to the College. This group has been instrumental in new ideas for building the enrollment as well as the endowment of the College. The Alumni Board is "Working for God Enthusiastically" in its varied efforts for the continued development of the College.

During the 2006-07 fiscal year, 662 alumni gave \$1,009,731.75 which included several extraordinary (that we do not receive each year) alumni gifts. Our average alumni gift was \$358.64. The class of 1962 contributed the largest amount; the class of 1959, again captured the highest percentage of givers and the class of 1997 had the most alumni donors. Mount Olive non traditional alumni led the locations in giving and Cohort #3 from Mount Olive was the overall cohort leader. Since 1996, MOC alumni have given \$2,608,459.25 back to their alma mater.

"Leading into the Future," is the theme that Carolyn Fader Hill '64, Alumni Association president, is using to challenge alumni to step up and do more, making sure that Mount Olive College is more visible and more supported than ever before. She encourages alums to bring a gift each time they come to campus and other times during the year. She also encourages alumni to tell others about Mount Olive whether they are alums, parents of prospective students or business folks who could be donors. Carolyn, whose father was a FWB minister, follows in his footsteps of support in every way toward MOC.

Graduates of Mount Olive College have a special place in the College community. These alumni provide a real life example of how an education at Mount Olive College can make a difference in one's own life. Alumni continue to spread the good news of how MOC transforms lives and the tradition of excellence.

*"Leading into the Future" Alumni Weekend 2008 is set for
November 21-23; mark your calendar.*

The Mount Olive College Society:

Central in the Effort to

"Transform Education and Transform Lives"

The Mount Olive College Society is composed of more than 500 individuals and organizations who believe in the mission of Mount Olive College and pledge to become partners with the College in transforming education and transforming lives. Society members are committed to advancing Mount Olive College through individual actions and financial support of \$1,000 or more annually. Proudly, Society members are taking the lead in providing the needed resources for future generations. The Mount Olive College Society is composed of Free Will Baptists, alumni, parents, businesses, foundations and friends from across the years and across many miles.

Recognition of Mount Olive College Society members will occur in the fall at an annual gala designed as a wonderful evening of fine dining, entertainment and celebration of the dedication of Society members. As a token of gratitude and a visible sign of support for Mount Olive College, a hand-crafted decorative pin for the ladies and a custom designed necktie for the men will be given to Society members to be worn at Mount Olive College functions. However, the greatest recognition of the gifts of Society members will be the gratitude of students whose lives are transformed through their experiences at Mount Olive College.

Advancing the Mission of the Church

As the arm of Original Free Will Baptists in Christian higher education, Mount Olive College exists to advance the larger mission of the Church to “make disciples.” At times, this will mean the preparation of teachers for our public schools, or business leaders with Christian principles, or persons with a quality education from the variety of programs provided by the College. There are, however, many services that the College provides that are relevant to the Church.

Religious Education

Mount Olive College is committed to providing a quality baccalaureate program for those who may choose careers in Christian ministry. Our perspective on theological education is based upon Ephesians 4:11-12:

And he gave some, apostles; and some, prophets; and some, evangelists; and some, pastors and teachers; For the perfecting of the saints, for the work of the ministry, for the edifying of the body of Christ:

The call to the Christian ministry requires a serious commitment to preparation so that pastors can equip all Christians for ministry. To assist our students who are preparing for ministry, Mount Olive College has developed a religion program that is academically rigorous and yet connected to the real world challenges facing churches.

Modular Religion Major

The Modular Religion Major (MRM) program continues to grow. Through this program, quality religious education is made available to working adults by attending class one night each week. Currently we have classes being offered in New Bern, Washington, and Mount Olive. We are scheduled to begin our next New Bern group on May 21, 2008.

This past year the MRM program underwent a significant revision and now consists of seventeen courses divided over three semesters.

For information on religious education, contact Dr. David Hines, Religion Department Chair.

Grants for Religion Students

With the cost of higher education beyond the means of many, the College is committed to meeting this need. To those preparing themselves for the Christian ministry who qualify, an annual grant is available. To request information regarding these grants, please contact Dr. David Hines, chair of the Department of Religion.

Free Will Baptist Tuition Grant

For full-time students enrolled in the traditional program at the Mount Olive campus, an annual grant of \$2500 is available to students who are members of Original Free Will Baptist Churches. In order to strengthen the relationship between the student and the Church, grant recipients complete service projects in the local church or with a denominational ministry. Encourage the youth from your church to attend their college—Mount Olive College.

Recommendations to the 2008 Convention of Original Free Will Baptists

1. That the Convention officially adopt the March 20, 2008 report of Mount Olive College;
2. That the Convention continue to designate February and July as Christian Education months and that Sunday Schools and churches be encouraged to designate Fifth Sundays as scholarship days for the benefit of Free Will Baptist students attending Mount Olive College;
3. That the Convention ask Original Free Will Baptists to pray faithfully for the evolving leadership plan, and for those who lead and serve Mount Olive College so that they will work with enthusiasm as God's agents for the transformation of women and men.
4. That the Convention recommend to each church that it provide a five-year plan of support to Mount Olive College for the new academic complex in honor of Dr. and Mrs. W. Burkette Raper;*
5. That the Convention rally the churches to encourage their members to consider Mount Olive College as their choice for higher education in the location and the program that will best serve their needs. The 2007 fall semester begins on August 20. Contact Tim Woodard at twoodard@moc.edu for a tour or program specific information.
6. That the Convention recommend to the churches the following minimum support for Mount Olive College:

Annual Fund Budget	\$ 700,000
Scholarships and Grants	250,000
Library Development and FWB Historical Collection	50,000

Total Requested for Operating Support	\$ 1,000,000
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*Five-year plan for academic complex in honor of Dr. and Mrs. Raper	\$ 2,000,000
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C. Darrell Horne, Chair, Board of Trustees
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Mount Olive College, Inc. and Affiliate
Statement of Financial Position (Audited)
as of June 30, 2007

Assets:

Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$3,552,650
Accounts Receivable, net allowance for doubtful accounts	5,379,176
Contributions receivable, net	3,359,481
Prepaid expenses and other assets	1,534,082
Investments	15,752,753
Funds held in trust by others	8,456,059
Land, buildings and equipment, net of depreciation	25,630,141
Total assets	<u><u>\$63,664,342</u></u>

Liabilities:

Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	\$2,762,439
Credit lines payable	4,500,000
Deposits	136,861
Deferred revenues	1,742,563
Refundable advances	373,260
Long term debt	26,771,763
Obligations under split-interest agreements	1,143,471
Total liabilities	<u><u>\$37,430,357</u></u>

Net Assets:

Unrestricted	\$435,466
Temporarily restricted	5,764,271
Permanently restricted	16,384,954
Excess of revenues under expenses	3,649,294
Total net assets	<u><u>\$26,233,985</u></u>
Total liabilities and net assets	<u><u>\$63,664,342</u></u>

These financial reports were prepared by Management. A copy of the annual audited financial statements prepared by McGladrey & Pullen, LLP has been forwarded to the Executive Committee. Budget information presented is for College operations only. Actual information presented is for both College and MOC Foundation and consists of operations and other revenues.

Source: Judy C. King, Controller
March 13, 2008

Mount Olive College, Inc. and Affiliate
Statement of Activities (Audited)
Fiscal year ending June 30, 2007

	Unrestricted Budget FY June 30, 2007	Actual FY June 30, 2007	Unrestricted Budget FY June 30, 2008
Revenues, gains and other support:			
Tuition and fees	\$24,387,979	\$23,006,015	\$28,157,475
Contributions-FWB Churches/Individuals	1,200,000	880,184	1,000,000
Contributions-Others	7,774,885	10,943,565	8,772,644
Investment income on endowment	353,500	537,492	431,500
Other income	193,000	539,385	217,750
Net realized and unrealized gains on investments	0	1,424,641	0
Sales and services of auxiliary enterprises	3,248,221	3,670,365	3,808,525
Total revenues and gains	<u>\$37,157,585</u>	<u>\$41,001,647</u>	<u>\$42,387,894</u>
Expenses and losses:			
Educational and general:			
Instruction	\$6,625,676	\$7,025,234	\$7,557,154
Academic support	4,823,475	4,199,367	5,454,164
Student services	2,519,253	3,623,113	2,820,420
Institutional support	7,502,532	7,535,891	9,045,893
Operation and maintenance of plant	2,667,508	2,538,626	2,651,240
Scholarships and fellowships	9,384,885	9,292,404	10,729,000
Total educational and general expenses	<u>\$33,523,329</u>	<u>\$34,214,635</u>	<u>\$38,257,871</u>
Auxiliary enterprises	<u>\$2,779,214</u>	<u>\$3,137,718</u>	<u>\$3,196,539</u>
Total expenses and losses	<u>\$36,302,543</u>	<u>\$37,352,353</u>	<u>\$41,454,410</u>
Increase in net assets from operations	<u>\$855,042</u>	<u>\$3,649,294</u>	<u>\$933,484</u>
Net assets at beginning of year		<u>\$22,584,691</u>	
Net assets at end of year		<u><u>\$26,233,985</u></u>	

Source: Judy C. King, Controller
March 13, 2008

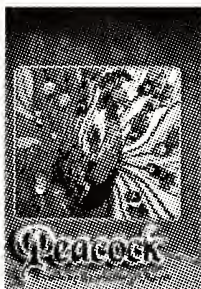
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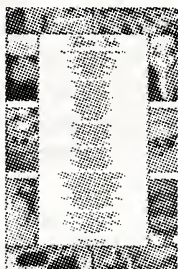
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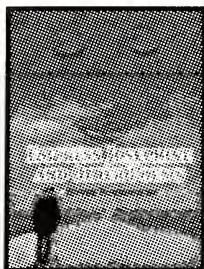
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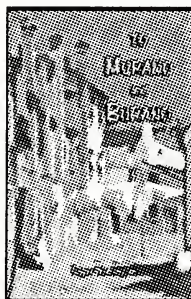
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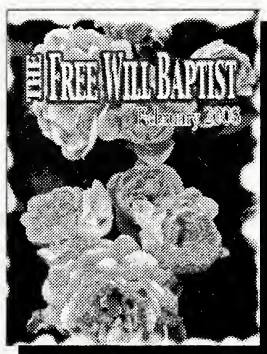
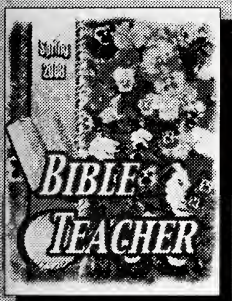
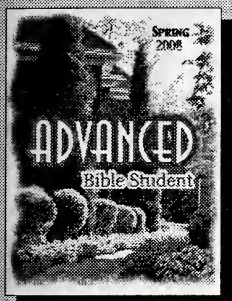
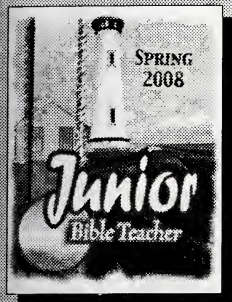
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Sincerely,

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Free Will Baptist Foundation, Inc.

Statement of Net Income

Year ending June 30, 2007

ASSETS

Current Assets

Cash	\$ 10,999
Accounts receivable	66,197
Inventories at lower of cost (first-in, first-out) of market	937,041
Prepaid expenses	6,121
Prepaid NC Income Taxes	-0-
Estimated Refund INC Tax	-0-
- Total Current Assets -	<u>1,020,356</u>

Plant, Property, and Equipment

Fixed Assets	911,452
Less accumulated depreciation	741,800
Plant, Property, and Equipment—Net	<u>169,652</u>

Other Assets

Securities—at cost	<u>8,068</u>
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Total Assets	<u><u>\$ 1,198,078</u></u>
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LIABILITIES AND MEMBERSHIPS' EQUITY

Current Liabilities

Notes payable—current portion	\$ 46,077
Accounts payable	111,268
Income taxes payable	-0-
Accrued taxes	20,403
- Total Current Liabilities -	<u>177,748</u>

Long-Term Debt

- Total Current Liabilities -	<u>36,167</u>
	<u>213,915</u>

Memberships' Equity

Membership certificates	
1,011 @ \$10	10,110
1,283 @ \$25	33,500
Additional paid in capital	55,517
Retained earnings	885,036
- Total Memberships' Equity -	<u>984,163</u>

Total Liabilities And Memberships' Equity	<u><u>\$ 1,198,078</u></u>
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Free Will Baptist Foundation, Inc.

Statement of Net Income

Year ending June 30, 2007

	2007 Budget	Actual	2008 Budget
Revenue			
Merchandise	\$ 450,000	\$ 416,821	\$ 425,000
Literature	735,000	714,660	728,000
Subscriptions	33,000	33,282	33,000
Job Work	182,000	180,885	180,000
Other Revenues	75,000	93,055	80,000
Total Revenue	1,475,000	1,438,703	1,446,000
Cost and Expenses			
Cost of Sales	870,000	851,550	860,000
Selling and Advertising Expense	490,000	463,225	465,000
Interest Expense	24,000	25,880	25,000
Depreciation	20,000	20,871	21,000
Employee Benefits	59,000	57,203	58,000
Total Cost and Expenses	1,463,000	1,418,759	1,429,000
Income Before Income Taxes	12,000	19,994	17,000
Income Tax Expense		-0-	
Net Income (Loss)		\$ 19,994	



Retirement Ministry

Free Will Baptist Retirement Homes, Inc

*Annual Report to the
Convention of
Original Free Will Baptists*

**Every man's work shall be made manifest: for the day
shall declare it, because it shall be revealed by fire; and
the fire shall try every man's work of what sort it is.**

1 Corinthians 3:13

Greetings in the name of our Lord, Jesus.

Many thanks go out to all the churches and individuals who have so graciously supported this ministry over the past year. Though the contributions that have been received, The Free Will Baptist Retirement Homes Ministry is alive and well. We continue to operate debt free and have not had to turn anyone down who has applied for help. The Board of Directors, staff, and our clients are indebted to everyone who sees the need of others and is willing to help. As our motto says, "People Helping People in Jesus' Name," is what this ministry is all about.

We make the following recommendations to our Convention:

- 1- That January continue to be designated as Retirement Homes Month.
- 2- That Sunday, January 18, 2009, be designated Retirement Homes Sunday.
- 3- That our churches invite the Executive Director to visit and share the program and needs of Retirement Homes Ministry and its clients. Call the Executive Director at the Headquarters (252) 746-4963 or on cell (910) 330-3818.
- 4- That our Convention and our churches endorse and support our proposed budget and pray for this ministry and its clients.

Board of Directors

The Reverend Jerry English (E), Chairman; The Reverend Clifford Ball (C), Vice-chairman; Mr. Reginald Parker (CF), Secretary; Mrs. Sondra Thick (W), Assistant Secretary; Mr. George Wooten (C); The Reverend Lloyd Hargis (W); Mrs. Jean McPherson (PD); Mr. Lloyd Jones (A); The Reverend Michael Barnhill (E); Mr. Johnny Johnson(P).

Executive Director, Ronnie Taylor ~ Assistant Executive Director, Mrs. Andrea Cox

Clients in Care

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Disability Equipment Availability Program



We provide necessary equipment for people with short-term or long-term physical disabilities. We have hospital beds, wheelchairs, recliner / lift-chairs, walkers, crutches, canes, etc. Contact us to see if we can help meet the need of your situation.

Also, we will accept a donation of equipment or funds to purchase new equipment.

If you know of anyone who has disability equipment please encourage them to contact Retirement Homes to see if it could be used in our program. Also, if you or your church group would like to purchase an item of equipment please contact us. We have a source for purchasing equipment at very good prices.

***PLEASE REMEMBER TO PRAY FOR OUR MINISTRY,
ESPECIALLY OUR CLIENTS AND OUR STAFF***

Free Will Baptist Retirement Homes, Inc.

Balance Sheet

As of December 31, 2007

ASSETS

Current Assets

Checking/Savings

BB&T

17,643.26

BB&T CD-928

33,516.16

Total Checking/Savings

51,159.42

Other Current Assets

Burress Endowment

309.10

Church Finance Reserve Account

19,885.50

Total Other Current Assets

20,194.60

Total Current Assets

71,354.02

Fixed Assets

Duplex

80,000.00

Office Equipment

18,588.30

Office Furniture

3,455.78

Power Street Storage Building

105,000.00

Total Fixed Assets

207,044.08

TOTAL ASSETS

278,398.10

LIABILITIES & EQUITY

Liabilities

Current Liabilities

Other Current Liabilities

Payroll Liabilities

-3.13

Total Current Liabilities

-3.13

-3.13

Equity

Opening Bal Equity

216,697.16

Retained Earnings

73,862.28

Net Income

-12,158.21

Total Equity

278,401.23

TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY

278,398.10

Free Will Baptist Retirement Homes, Inc.
Budget Statement

INCOME	2007 Budget	2007 Actual	2008 Proposed
Church Contributions	\$78775.00	\$80,977.70	\$79,000.00
Individual Contributions	4,500.00	5,345.06	3,300.00
Interest	1,000.00	2558.33	1,000.00
Miscellaneous + (Youth Project)	100.00	0.00	5,100.00
Refunds	200.00	800.82	200.00
Residents Contributions	11,000.00	10,173.00	7,200.00
Storage Reimbursement	200.00	225.00	200.00
Total Income	\$95,775.00	<u>100,079.91</u>	<u>\$96,000.00</u>
Difference		<u>+\$4,304.10</u>	<u>+\$225.00</u>

OPERATING EXPENSES

Accounting / Legal	700.00	199.00	700.00
Bank Charges	50.00	0.00	50.00
Board Meetings & Expense	50.00	0.00	400.00
Convention Expense	350.00	187.73	500.00
Copier/copies	50.00	114.09	100.00
Expansion	500.00	0.00	500.00
Gifts	1,100.00	1,148.00	1,100.00
Insurance	1,600.00	1,076.00	1,200.00
Memorials	100.00	0.00	100.00
Miscellaneous	500.00	3060.00	750.00
Office Rent & Service Fee	3,170.00	3,168.00	3,170.00
Office Supplies & Equipment	2,500.00	842.22	2,500.00
Placement Services	10,000.00	10,298.00	9,000.00
Postage	500.00	297.27	600.00
Promotional Materials	800.00	1090.34	1,000.00
Property Taxes	1,000.00	960.94	1,105.00
Repairs / Maintenance	1,500.00	2,841.19	10,000.00
Resident Utilities	8,000.00	7,553.04	8,000.00
Salaries and Benefits	37,560.00	37,560.00	29,525.00
Social Security & W/H Taxes	3,000.00	2,873.36	3,000.00
Supplemental Housing -Support Program	18,900.00	18,700.00	19,600.00
Supplemental Support Services	800.00	681.73	200.00
Telephone Service (fax & internet)	600.00	662.58	700.00
Travel	1,000.00	820.04	1,000.00
Workshops & seminars	520.00	115.50	500.00
Utilities/Power Street Building	900.00	757.66	900.00
<u>Total Operating Expense</u>	<u>\$95,775.00</u>	<u>\$95005.99</u>	<u>\$96,000.00</u>
Difference		<u>-\$769.01</u>	<u>+\$225.00</u>

The financial report was prepared by management and a copy of the Annual Compilation will be forwarded to the Executive Committee when completed.

Original Free Will Baptist Sunday School Board

Convention Report May 2008



Greetings from the members of the Sunday School Board to the officers, delegates, ministers and visitors to the 2008 Convention of Original Free Will Baptists!

Interest in the growth of our churches through the Sunday School is expanding each week as churches get involved in programs and efforts to understand that the church is a 'needs meeting station'. The small groups of the Sunday School is a perfect place to train people in the implementation of evangelism through spreading the Word. Our resources are being tapped as never before.

During July of 2007, 25 folks from 13 different churches and 5 different conferences traveled to Merced, California to mentor and conduct VBS for the Lao Evangelical Church. We had approximately 140 people to attend during the week. There were 7 first time decisions for Christ at the end the week. God truly blessed!

On March 1, 2008, approximately 375-400 young people and adults gathered at Mt. Olive College for the 67th Annual Spring Institute. Customized assistance is being offered to several of our churches as we assess the local church's Christian Education efforts.

At the Annual Sunday School Institute, the 2008 Sunday School Teacher of the Year award was presented to Mr. Gary F. Barefoot from Robert's Grove Original Free Will Baptist Church, Dunn, NC. The Sunday School Superintendent of the Year was Ms. Fran Overton from Hickory Chapel, Ahoskie, NC. Our thanks go to Dr. Thomas R. Morris for funding these awards each year.

Horton Road OFWB Church, Durham, NC was spotlighted at the Institute. We will be spotlighting a church each year at the Institute in order for us to share in the excitement felt in our various churches.

The Sunday School Board funded 31 camp scholarships in the 'Kids to Camp' program. There were 25 folks who attended the minister's wives and / or widows Spiritual Life Retreat. This included "Sisters" and workers. "The Cinderella Sisters" Support Group has been formed to help wives and widows. Invite the Director to come to your church to share these particular programs since they are expanding rapidly.

The Sunday School Board also has several publications and other resources available to your church or Sunday School. The newest publication is the *Nursery Procedures Manual*, compiled by Ms. Marci Rollins-Smart. Each church should get a copy for its files. We will assist your Sunday School in any way we can.

The Board wishes to thank each of you for your prayers, thoughtful letters offering suggestions for growth and your gracious monetary contributions. Again, we pledge to do our best to spread the message of Jesus Christ and to be faithful stewards of your care, concern and contributions. If you wish to have a seminar, workshop, study course or revival services devoted to Sunday School or Christian Education at your church, union, conference, youth meeting or auxiliary, please contact Mary Dudley at (252) 568 - 3311(home), (252) 559-3327 (cell) or (252) 746-4963 (work).

RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. That this report to the Convention be adopted;
2. That the Convention continue to designate February as Sunday School Month with February 28, 2009 being set aside as Sunday School Rally Day in all OFWB churches;
3. That the Convention encourage each church to include the Sunday School Board Ministry's work in their budgets and continue to pray for its work as it expands; and
4. That the Convention support the 2008 budget.

Original Free Will Baptist Sunday School Board Statement of Commitment

Mission Statement: The mission of the Original Free Will Baptist Sunday School Board is to assist churches in developing the knowledge, skills and attitudes that will enable people to go, teach and make disciples in each of our communities.

Vision Statement: The vision of the Original Free Will Baptist Sunday School Board is to maintain its commitment to teaching and learning for everyone while remaining true to the belief that the message of salvation comes through Jesus Christ, the Son of God.

We believe we will maintain this commitment by:

- promoting the overall improvement and growth of the local Sunday schools,
- providing a qualified resource person or team of persons to facilitate appropriate learning opportunities for the church and other organizations,
- promoting and / or developing practical teaching and learning materials that will enable people to understand the need to balance the study of the scriptures while building relationships and evangelism,
- sponsoring workshops / seminars to promote and enhance Christian education,
- continuously praying and searching for strategies to equip people to respond to God's call according to each individual's unique gift,
- adhering to the *Articles of Faith and Principles of Church Government for Original Free Will Baptists (Of the English General Baptist Heritage)*.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION TO REMEMBER

1. **2008 Leadership Banquet**—May 21, 2008 at Mt. Olive College with Dr. Matt Pinson being the featured speaker.
2. **Saturday, March 7, 2009** - 68th Annual Institute at Mt. Olive College
3. **Regional Training Opportunities** in three different locations
4. **Contributions and/or requests for information or materials can be sent to:**
OFWB Sunday School Board or Mary Dudley
P.O. Box 39 1770 Will Cunningham Road
Ayden, N. C. 28513 Deep Run, N. C. 28525
5. **Eastern NC Christian Education Conference - Coastal MACEA - New Bern, NC, August 8-9, 2008. Mailing to go out in June, 2008**
6. **Ministers' Wives Spiritual Life Retreat - Cragmont Assembly**
Date: January 29 - Feb. 1, 2009.
7. **Make all checks payable to OFWB Sunday School Board.**
8. **Web address: www.ofwbsundayschool.org**
director@ofwbsundayschool.org

This report is submitted on behalf of the Original Free Will Baptist
Sunday School Board.

Mary Dudley, Executive Director and Treasurer

The Reverend Paul Grubbs, Chairman
The Reverend Roger Hill, Vice - Chairman
Mrs. Kitty Barnes, Secretary

Mrs. Nancy Cale
Mr. Heath Conner
Mr. Wayne Hicks

The Reverend Bruce Jones
Mrs. Brenda Best, Assistant Secretary

Original Free Will Baptist Sunday School Board Ministry

Budget Statement

January 1, 2007 - December 31, 2007

	2007 Budget	2007 Actual	2008 Proposed
INCOME			
Church Contributions	\$ 36,000.00	\$51,842.42	\$ 44,000.00
Individuals	3,050.00	12,288.51	3,500.00
Institute	3,500.00	3,630.00	3,700.00
Banquet	1,200.00	1,111.00	1,200.00
Seminars/Retreats	2,000.00	3,102.00	3,000.00
Union / Conference Contri.	3,000.00	4,130.22	3,500.00
Miscellaneous	0	2,694.79	1,100.00
TOTAL	\$ 48,750.00	\$78,798.94	\$ 60,000.00
OPERATING EXPENSES			
Youth Programs	\$10,000.00	\$25,111.23	\$ 10,000.00
Printing and Postage	6,500.00	8,033.35	8,000.00
Seminars and Conferences	1,700.00	2,757.31	2,800.00
Banquet and Institute	4,000.00	4,332.39	4,400.00
Board Travel	1,000.00	1,205.75	1,300.00
Director Expense	1,425.00	1,567.59	1,600.00
Director Salary & Benefits Pkg.	14,550.00	14,394.70	18,850.00
FICA	600.00	550.80	600.00
Workman's Comp.	225.00	231.00	230.00
Resource Center	1,000.00	988.36	1,000.00
Office Expenses	6,500.00	6,423.64	9,160.00
Awards Program	250.00	193.25	250.00
Promotional Materials	1,000.00	968.69	1,000.00
Miscellaneous	-0-	1,221.82	800.00
Total Operating Expense	\$ 48,750.00	\$ 67,979.98	\$60,000.00
Beginning Cash			\$ 49,207.86
Income			\$ 78,798.94
Expenditures			\$ 67,979.98
Checkbook Balance			\$ 60,026.82
Savings Plus Interest			\$ 19,210.43
Southern Bank			3,279.38
Southern Bank			10,511.75
Church Finance			5,419.30
Total Financial Assets			\$ 79,237.25
Resource Center Inventory			\$ 12,506.41
Office Equipment			\$ 19,618.63
Gifts in Kind Through December 31, 2006			\$ 79,100.00
Sub - Total			\$ 190,462.19
Total Assets			\$ 190,462.19
Liabilities			none
Net Worth			\$190,462.19

[This financial statement was prepared by management and is unaudited.]

Sunday School Ministry Five Year Goals

- † Continue the ongoing goals to assist in growing the church through the Sunday School program.
 - Establish a Resource Library at the Headquarters to assist Christian Education workers
 - Continue to focus our attention on the Life on Loan journey with our churches
 - Expand the current program of workshops and seminars
 - Expand the learning opportunities as feasible
 - Prepare study guides to encourage Biblical study
 - Update certification requirements for teachers and superintendents
 - Continue to add to the Resource Center at the Headquarters
 - Continue to assist churches in Christian Education assessment
 - Continue to expand the newsletter, TEACH, to include eTEACH
 - Develop Prayer Journals for all ages
 - Offer a Nursery Procedures Manual to all churches
 - Assist churches in their awareness of the need to remove barriers for those people with disabilities
 - Update the Sunday School Handbook as needed
 - Continue the partnership with other ministries
 - FWB Press on the Liaison Literature Committee
 - Home Missions and Evangelism to help establish Sunday Schools in mission points
 - Home Missions and Evangelism to conduct VBS wherever it is needed
 - Advisory Board for the Barrow Family Endowed Fund for Christian Ministries at Mount Olive College
 - Cragmont Assembly and Camp Vandemere to establish conferences and retreats
- † Continue to co-sponsor the Coastal Satellite of the Mid-Atlantic Christian Education Association
- † Expand the Camp Scholarship Program
- † Continue to expand the Ministers' Wives and Widows Retreat

The Sunday School provides the Biblical foundation for our churches, so it behooves each of us to Work for God Effectively. We are reminded by Paul that we are to *study to show ourselves approved*. Therefore, let us all work together to build our churches on the foundation of Biblical study, fellowship and evangelism as we prepare ourselves to "Work for God with Enthusiasm" in the local communities and the world.



***Growth in Sunday
School equals growth
in the Church!***

**REPORT OF
CAROLINA BIBLE INSTITUTE & SEMINARY
TO THE 2008 CONVENTION OF ORIGINAL FREE WILL BAPTISTS**

Greetings from the entire Board of Trustees, the staff, and the student body of Carolina Bible Institute and Seminary to the officers, delegates, and Churches of the Convention of Original Free Will Baptists and its member conferences and associations. It is a great joy and privilege to share in this convention and make this report.

We continue to be amazed at the ways in which our Lord continues to use and bless Carolina Bible Institute & Seminary and we continue to praise Him for His many blessings. Since our last convention we have experienced so many blessings from the Lord. Not that the months have been without their challenges, for surely there have been challenges. Through the wonderful marvels of modern technology we have been able to expand our resources by beginning to establish computer facilities for student usage in course work as well as for research purposes. Also, we have relocated and completely renovated our library facilities. We are currently developing a video recording and editing facility through which we will be able to expand our external studies programs. Our external studies programs continue to expand with students being added on a regular basis, to the extent that we now have almost as many students enrolled in external studies as in on-campus studies. In addition to the classes held on our campus in Pine Level, North Carolina, we are conducting classes in Momeyre and Fremont, North Carolina. This past February we offered for the second time the course, Holy Land Studies, on site in Israel. We had more ministers this course than the previous one with 27 tour members in all. It was a joy to watch the excitement of the tour members as the Scriptures "came alive" for them as we traveled the Land of the Bible. As you can see from this brief synopsis, God has blessed us tremendously with opportunities to minister His Word.

These were all blessings, but as mentioned, there were challenges. This past Fall our dear friend and beloved Board Chairman, Rev. Roy T. Clifton, after a brief illness, went to be with his Lord. Brother Clifton had been involved with Carolina Bible Institute & Seminary from its beginning. He served for many years as a member of the Board of Trustees and after Dr. Cherry's death, had served as its Chairman. Brother Clifton began teaching at the school in 1997 and had been a blessing to many students throughout those ensuing years. Brother Clifton is missed by all who knew him and we all thank God for the privilege of knowing him and serving God together. God has blessed us with a new Board Chairman – the Trustees have elected the Reverend Frank Flowers as the new Chairman. Brother Flowers has served Free Will Baptists for many years and has been a true friend to CBIS as well. We are thankful for his willingness to serve and look forward to his leadership in this ministry.

After making this synopsis of God's blessings and challenges upon CBIS, I feel it is important that I say a word about our philosophy for providing a training institution for Christian workers. It is our privilege and our responsibility to teach the Word of God as the Word of God - just as God gave it. It is not our desire to make a name for ourselves, but to magnify the name of the Lord Jesus Christ. It is not our desire to build a big institution, but to provide opportunities for "the equipping of the saints for

the work of ministry” for the big God, Whom we serve. From the very beginning, when Dr. Floyd B. Cherry founded Carolina Bible Institute & Seminary, it has been our desire to fulfill the call of God as expressed in 2 Timothy 2: 1, 2 – *“Thou therefore, my son, be strong in the grace that is in Christ Jesus. And the things that thou hast heard of me among many witnesses, the same commit thou to faithful men, who shall be able to teach others also.”* When I was a young minister and a student at CBIS, I had opportunity to attend a great convention. One of the speakers was the head of a growing Christian college. In his remarks, he made the statement that he longed for the day that his school would have the respect of the world. This, to me, was just the opposite of what a Christian school should be about. At CBIS, we are unconcerned with the world’s opinion, but we are gravely concerned with pleasing God. Our focus has always been to, first, please God by a strict obedience to His Word and second, to provide the educational opportunities for His people that would be faithful to a traditional, conservative approach to His Word. This is why our founding documents require all of the members of our Board of Trustees to be members in good standing of Free Will Baptist Churches. In addition, all of our teachers are Free Will Baptists. In this, we will always remain faithful to the *“faith once delivered unto the saints.”* The importance of a school is not its size, but its obedience to God’s Word. This we intend to do and trust Him to use us to accomplish “big” things for His glory.

Since our last Convention we have completed a summer session and two semesters of classes. Both of which were very successful. Not only from the standpoint of the number of students we had enrolled, but in the attitude of the students and the enthusiasm shared by the students and faculty in the study of God’s Word. There is something wonderful about students who have a passion to learn and whose sole purpose for coming to school is to fulfill God’s call upon their lives. And there is something wonderful about watching students as they study and grow in faith and grace through the teaching of God’s wonderful Word

God is beginning to open doors to new opportunities of ministry. We are so very excited about the possibility of some major advancements in our academic programs. With your prayers and support we are confident the Lord will use Carolina Bible Institute & Seminary to accomplish an ever greater service for His Kingdom than ever before. Please consider becoming a partner with this ministry in providing the finances to do this great work, either as individuals or with your Church including us in their budget. The Original Free Will Baptist Church is the work of God and the part that Carolina Bible Institute & Seminary has in that work will have a direct impact upon how God brings His plan to fruition. We need and ask for your help in this area.

Again, we would thank you for what you have done and are doing in connection with this ministry. Please pray regularly for the work of Carolina Bible Institute & Seminary and for God’s specific direction, for our staff, and for our students. May God’s wonderful grace be your greatest treasure.

Rudy Owens - President

CAROLINA BIBLE INSTITUTE & SEMINARY, INC.
BALANCE SHEET - 2006

Assets

Current Assets

Petty Cash	\$ 128.59	
Cash in Bank	<u>53,031.20</u>	
Total Current Assets		\$ 53,259.79

Property & Equipment

Buildings	\$178,680.00	
Building Improvements	9,300.00	
Furniture & Fixtures	5,800.00	
Office Equipment	14,541.16	
Land	20,200.00	
Accumulated Depreciation	<u>(122,798.00)</u>	
Total Property & Equipment		<u>105,722.18</u>

Total Assets **\$ 158,881.97**

Liabilities & Fund Balance

Current Liabilities

Payroll Liabilities	\$ <u>987.18</u>	
Total Current Liabilities		\$ 987.18

Fund Balance

Fund balance	<u>157,894.79</u>	
Total Fund Balance		<u>157,894.79</u>

Total Liabilities & Fund Balance **\$ 186,028.71**

Budget for 2008

Property Maintenance:	\$ 15,750.00
Operational:	24,200.00
Special Meetings:	4,850.00
Personnel:	59,820.00
Miscellaneous:	<u>10,380.00</u>
Totals:	\$ 115,000.00

Projected Receipts

Contribution from Free Will Baptist Churches	\$ 70,000.00
Other receipts:	<u>45,000.00</u>
Totals:	\$ 115,000.00

*This financial report was prepared by Management and the Annual
 Compilation prepared by Dolores B. Bailey, CPA, PLLC Accounting.*

Chaplains Commission Report

The Chaplains Commission has the task of recruiting and commissioning chaplains to the United States Armed Forces. Military chaplains are required to have a baccalaureate degree from an accredited college or university and a Master of Divinity (90 semester hours of credit) degree from an accredited seminary or divinity school plus two years of active ministry or CPE. Armed forces chaplains provide ministry to men and women of our armed forces and their families. Chaplains enter their branch of service as a commissioned officer, 1st Lieutenant (Army and Air Force) or Lieutenant Junior Grade (Navy and Coast Guard), and they are promoted based on performance and need. The Navy provides chaplains to the Marine Corps. They train as military officers in order to minister in a hostile environment or in peace. They also train to minister to families of military personnel, including providing counseling to families of deployed military personnel and to provide marriage and family counseling to families in very difficult circumstances such as long separations. **Military chaplains are never required to participate in religious services outside their own faith group, and in worship, Christian chaplains are never denied the privilege of praying in the Name of Jesus or proclaiming Christian doctrines.** In public ceremonies, however, each chaplain is cautioned to be sensitive to people of other faith groups in their prayers or speeches. If any of our ministers meet the educational requirements and are interested in serving as a military chaplain, please see anyone on our Chaplains Commission. The Convention of Original Free Will Baptists now has only one chaplain in the military – he is CH (CPT) Richard Holmes of the US Air Force. He is serving at Lakenheath Air Force Base, England.

The Convention of Original Free Will Baptists is a member of the National Conference on Ministry to the Armed Forces. We represent at the annual meeting of this body.

Professional chaplains serving in hospitals and prisons also must be endorsed by their denominations to serve as chaplains. The educational requirements in these areas are very similar to military chaplaincy plus Clinical Pastoral Education in varying units. We have no professional chaplains serving in hospitals, but we have two serving in the NC Department of Corrections. They are Chaplain Harry Grubbs at Maury Correctional Institution, a 1000 bed close custody adult male prison in Greene County, and Chaplain Philip Wood at Eastern Correctional Institution, a 480 bed medium custody adult male prison in Greene County.

Several of our ministers serve as volunteer chaplains for police and fire departments, Civil Air Patrol, or in hospitals. They are not required to be endorsed, but if you are serving in a volunteer capacity, the Chaplains Commission would like to know who you are and in what capacity you serve. Please contact Harry Grubbs at 196 Gumberry Rd., Ayden, NC; 252-746-8581; 252-747-1503; hdgrubbs@embarqmail.com.

Original Free Will Baptist Christian Layman's League Worldwide 2008 Annual Report

Mr. President, Officers of the Convention, Ministers, Delegates, Brother and Sisters in Christ, I bring you greetings from the Convention Layman's League, Executive Committee and the Layman's League Board. We, the Laymen of the Original Free Will Baptist, have given ourselves to God by faith in Christ and have taken His Holy Word as written by the inspiration of God to further His Kingdom here on earth.

The Layman's League along with its Conference and local Church Leagues are on the move and getting involved in the work of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. Our foundation is built upon the following:

PURPOSE:

1. To bring men in the Original Free Will Baptist denomination together to promote fellowship and sharing.
2. To increase our knowledge and power in Jesus Christ.
3. To reach out and touch others for Christ.
4. To train and enhance our talents for the calling of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.
5. To strengthen the fabric among all Original Free Will Baptist Laymen in our denomination to worship and serve God in unity. (I Corinthians 16:13)

GOAL:

To exalt Christ through the agencies which God in His providences has provided for the people making up the Original Free Will Baptist Church. (Matthew 22:37)

MOTTO:

"World-Wide Christian soldiers marching as to war, with the Cross and Flag of Jesus, going on before throughout the world".

THIS YEAR'S EVENTS:

The Semi-Annual State Layman's League Convention was held on June 1, 2007 at Camp Vandemere, Vandemere, N. C.

The Layman's League Spiritual Life Retreat was held at Camp Vandemere on June 2, 2007.

Theme: The Final Resurrection
John 5: 28-29

Section 1: "The resurrection of Life" was presented by Mr. Michael Griffen.

Section 2: "The Resurrection of Damnation" was presented by
Rev. Mike Scott.

CHURCHES RECEIVING CHARTERS:

None

Endowment Fund:

The Original Free Will Baptist Christian Layman's League Endowment at Mount Olive College was established on May 12, 1984. This endowment is used to support Original Free Will Baptist students studying Church Ministries. The Endowment Fund has a balance of \$16,027.29.

Layman's League Board

2008

Paul Beaman
James Barnhill
Eugene Dixon
John Newton

Conference

Central
Central
Eastern
Western

2009

Berry Medlin
Michael Griffin
Russell Tyson
Otis Gatlin

Cape Fear
Central
Eastern
Eastern

2010

William (Bill) Armitage
Herman Tyson
Billy Gurkin
Roy Wetherington

Central
Eastern
Central
Eastern

Ministerial Association of Original Free Will Baptists

It is with great joy that I bring you greetings in the name of our Lord from your Ministerial Association. We would like to invite all of the ministers in our Convention to join our Association. If you would like to join, the dues are \$35 per year. Please see the Reverends John Hill or Jesse Crisp. We encourage our ministers to join us each year at Ragmont Assembly in Black Mountain, NC. While on the mountain we are offered an educational opportunity through the James A. Evans lecture series and a time of fellowship with other ministers. The Executive Committee has taken a step of faith this year and put together four spiritual life banquets in different locations. It was our prayer to get more ministers involved by bringing these events to different areas.

Executive Committee

President	Reverend Alan Joyner
Vice President	Reverend Tim Heath
Secretary	Reverend John Hill
Treasurer	Reverend Jesse Crisp
Member at Large	Reverend Lewis Forsythe

Upcoming Events

Ragmont Ministers Conference

June 2-4, 2008

Spiritual Life Banquets

Harvest Connection Building, Kinston
Lylvia's Restaurant, Wilson
Robert's Grove Church, Dunn
Camp Vandemere, Vandemere

Saturday, November 10, 2007
Saturday, March 15, 2008
Friday, May 9, 2008
Saturday, May 10, 2008

Respectfully submitted,
The Reverend Alan Joyner, President
The Reverend John Hill, Secretary

**THE NORTH CAROLINA FOUNDATION FOR
CHRISTIAN MINISTRIES**

**Report to the Annual Session
THE CONVENTION OF ORIGINAL FREE WILL BAPTISTS
May 20-22, 2008**



*Footprints convey that someone has gone before us,
Leaving us a marked way;
And remind us that we also can leave a marked way
For those who come after us.*

This Report is Dedicated to the Memory of

BERTHA MAE SILVERTHORNE NUNNALLY
(July 14, 1932 – August 21, 2007)

Who transmitted her heritage of the Christian faith
from her parents and Bethel Original Free Will Baptist
Church, Pamlico County, North Carolina,
into a living legacy for future generations.

A BRIEF PROFILE OF THE FOUNDATION

The North Carolina Foundation For Christian Ministries is chartered by the State of North Carolina "for the purposes of fostering and promoting Christian stewardship and promoting and providing support to the ministries in North Carolina affiliated with or consistent with the Convention of Original Free Will Baptists and other charitable, educational, literary and Christian purposes."

Under Section 501 (c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code, the Foundation is tax-exempt; and gifts, bequests and transfers to it are exempt from State and Federal income tax as allowed by law.

The Foundation is governed by a board of Directors, all of who are Original Free Will Baptists:

W. Burkette Raper, President
Charles L. McLawhorn, Jr., Attorney, Vice President
Donald Ribeiro, M.D., Secretary-Treasurer
The Reverend Ronnie V. Hobgood
Mr. Donnie E. Lassiter
The Reverend Walter Reynolds
Ms. Judy H. Thaanum (on leave).

Major Objectives of the Foundation

The distinctive mission of the Foundation is to provide a means, heretofore not available, to help Original Free Will Baptists become more effective in the work to which God has called us.

I. Scholarship Fund for Christian Ministry

Because of the critical need for pastors and qualified personnel in various ministries of the Convention, the Foundation has established a scholarship fund for those called of God to Christian ministry. For scholarship purposes, the Foundation defines Christian Ministry as a vocation in an institution, organization or program that is sponsored by the Church. This definition is intended to include vocations in all ministries of the Convention of Original Free Will Baptists.

Eligible applicants are those who wish to prepare for excellence in either an ordained ministry or a commissioned ministry. The ordained ministry includes pastors and chaplains. The commissioned ministry includes those who are called to Christian vocations which do not require ordination, but are under the auspices of the Church.

Funding for these scholarships is provided by endowments and gifts from individuals, churches and church-related organizations. All churches are encouraged to include the "Scholarship Fund For Christian Ministry" in their budgets.

Gifts to this fund are used exclusively for scholarships; the Foundation does not use any amount of scholarship gifts for overhead or other expenses. Beginning with the fall

semester of 2006 and continuing through the spring semester of 2008, the Foundation has provided scholarships for sixteen students in the total amount of \$35,000.

II. Endowments

Most of us contribute throughout our lifetime to our church, our denominational ministries, and other causes for the benefit of humanity and the advancement of the Christian faith. Unfortunately, for nine out of ten of us, that support stops when our heart stops. But it does not have to be that way. Through an endowment, we can continue to support beyond our lifetime those causes which mean most to us.

The minimum amount for a named endowment is \$10,000. A gift of cash, real estate, stocks or other assets in this amount may be made at one time or over a period of time. Endowments may be established by an individual, a family, a church, church organizations or ministries of the Convention of Original Free Will Baptists.

One does not have to be wealthy to have an endowment. If donors have a vision and a plan, they have the remainder of their life to achieve their goal. Below is a list of endowments with the Foundation which currently range in amounts from \$200 to \$1,000,000. Every oak was once an acorn!

Named Endowments

1. Mae Haddock – Established by Don Ribeiro, M.D., in memory of his mother, for the Youth Ministry of Ormondsville Original Free Will Baptist Church (Greene County).
2. Donnie E. and Linda Vann Lassiter Family – For scholarships to students in eastern North Carolina attending various colleges, universities and schools, including undergraduate liberal arts and Christian ministry at Mount Olive College; and graduate theological study in seminary and divinity school.
3. Casey-McCormack – For Casey's Chapel Original Free Will Baptist Church and scholarships to students preparing for Christian ministry at Mount Olive College, and graduate study in seminary or divinity school.
4. Michael R. Pelt – Established by friends and former students of Dr. Pelt in appreciation for his thirty years as chair of the department of religion at Mount Olive College and for his continued services to Original Free Will Baptists. For the graduate education of ministers – scholarships for seminary and divinity school.
5. W. Burkette and Rose M. Raper Family – An endowment in honor and in memory of our children, for Friendship Original Free Will Baptist Church (Jones County) and other charitable purposes.
6. Walter and Evelyn F. Reynolds – For support of the work and ministry of Friendship Original Free Will Baptist Church (Greene County), as determined by the church.
7. Michael Rouse Family – Scholarships for students preparing for Christian ministry at Mount Olive College, Campbell University, and any seminary or divinity school.

8. Silverthorne Family – For four beneficiaries (25%) each:
1. Bethel Original Free Will Baptist church (Pamlico County) for the maintenance of the church cemetery;
 2. Camp Vandemere;
 3. Free Will Baptist Children's Home, and
 4. Mount Olive College Library, for the Free Will Baptist Historical Collection.

Endowments In Process

9. Central Conference of Original Free Will Baptists – Scholarships for Central Conference ministers attending seminary or divinity school.
10. Gregory Fader – For charitable purposes yet to be identified.
11. Vivian B. Harrison – By Frank R. Harrison for the Vivian B. Harrison Memorial Endowment at Mount Olive College – to help sponsor the annual Harrison Lecture.
12. K. David and Teresa K. Hines – Scholarships for nontraditional students majoring in religion at Mount Olive College.
13. Beulah D. and William Cecil Raper - Parents of Dr. W. Burkette Raper, the Reverend James Earl Raper, Mrs. Mary R. O'Donnell and Mrs. Catherine R. Davenport. For the Benevolent Fund of Little Rock Original Free Will Baptist Church, with special consideration for children.

Legacy – An endowment to which gifts may be made in honor or memory of persons. Gifts may later be transferred to named endowments.

Gifts for Endowment through December 31, 2007 exceed \$1,400,000.00

Our Heritage: What we have received from those who preceded us.

Our Legacy: What we leave for those who follow us.

Lady or Gentleman: One who gives more to life than they take from it.

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Youth Convention of OFWB Report to the 2008 Convention of OFWB

The 2007 Youth Convention was one of the best according to reports. The theme was "Deal or No Deal". The scripture verse was Acts 4:12, "Neither is there Salvation in any other: for there is none other name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved." It was felt that the "Deal or No Deal" game didn't take the angle we were looking for it to take. Jeff Smith with Jeff Smith Ministries was our main speaker for the weekend. He did a wonderful job. We also had the group Son Shines from Cleveland, GA. They did a great job with our Praise and Worship music. The workshops were enjoyed by everyone.

The Woman's Auxiliary Executive Committee has appointed a Task Force Committee to study the youth program. The Task Force Committee has met once and will meet quarterly until this is final. We are expecting GREAT things from this committee.

In His Service,
Martha Parsons / Director
Faye Bryant / Co-Director

Youth Convention of OFWB 2007 Annual Treasurer's Report

Balance on hand 12/31/2006	\$3,942.08
Total income for 2007	\$50,604.40
Total expenses for 2007	\$53,131.77
Ending balance 12/31/2007	\$1,414.71

Convention
Minutes
of the 94th Session of the
Convention of Original Free Will Baptist
Convening at
Mount Olive College
Mount Olive, North Carolina
May 23-25, 2006

Officers

President	The Reverend Fred Baker
Vice President	The Reverend Charles Renfrow
Recording Secretary	The Reverend Harold Swinson
Treasurer	The Reverend Ronnie V. Hobgood

Executive Committee

Fred Baker, 770 Robert's Grove Rd., Dunn, NC 28334 (2006)
Charles Renfrow, 10336 Old Beulah Rd., Kenly, NC 27542 (2006)
Harold Swinson, P.O. Box 397, Kenly, NC 27542 (2007)
Ronnie Hobgood, 107 Essex Dr., Winterville, NC 28590 (2007)

Conference Representatives

Albemarle	Al Markuson	(2007)
Cape Fear	Sam Weeks	(2006)
Central	Leon Grubbs	(2006)
Eastern	Tim Heath	(2006)
Paul Palmer	Wayne Sheffield	(2007)
Pee Dee	Garland Suggs	(2007)
Piedmont	Wayne Watson	(2007)
Western	Ray Wells	(2007)

Boards and Committees

Children's Home

Bill Hawkins (07), Bobby Tew (07), Thomas Parrish (07), Edward Brock (08), Ann Grubbs (08), James Cahoon (08), Franklin Vester (09), Ila B. Penny (09), Donna Holland (09), Donnie Tyndall (10), Belinda Barnhill (10), Judy Aycock (10), Rebecca Davenport (Emeritus Member)

Foreign Missions

Gary Bailey (07), Wayne King (08), Philip Wood (09), Calvin Heath (10), Jesse Fulcher (11), Henry Armstrong (Honorary Member for Life)

Home Missions and Evangelism

Bruce Jones (07), Lewis Forsythe (08), Braxton Carter (09), Peyton Lee (10), Howard McPherson (11), Carlee Stallard (12), Wayne Britt (13)

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Minister's Program

Sherman Dilley (07), Stanley Buck (08), Richard Glosson (09), Phillip Boykin (10), Randall Smith (11)

Mount Olive College

Charles McLawhorn, Jr. (07), Stanley Harrell (07), E. J. Pope, Jr. (07), Nido Qubein (07), Donald Ribeiro (07), De Wayne Eakes (08), Jean Averette (08), Robert W. Wilkerson (08), Wendell Murphy (08), Jane Tripp (08), Charles Pittman III (09), Kenneth K. Moore (09), Billy Creech (09), Kenneth "Deacon" Jones (09), Howard Scott (09), Adrian Grubbs (10), C. Darrell Horne (10), Eugene Sumner (10), Carroll Hawkins (10), Bobby Williamson (10) Christine Greene (11), Gene Jernigan (11), Lloyd Jones Jr. (11), Tommy Benson (11), Danny McPherson (11), Carolyn Jernigan (12), Linda Staunch (12), Kim Quinn (12), Eqrly Worley, Jr. (12), H. M. Poythress (12)

Retirement Homes

Jean McPherson (07), George Wooten (07), Lloyd Jones (08), Clifford Ball (08), Reginald Parker (09), Lloyd Hargis (09), Dale Belvin (10), K. Michael Barnhill (10), Sandra Thick (11), Jerry English (11)

Historical Commission

Roger Hill (05), Alan Lamm (06), Pam Wood (07), Gary Barefoot (Honorary), Michael Pelt (Honorary)

Chaplain's Commission

Frank Harrison (05), Edmundo Gonzalez (06), David Langley (07), Alan Lamm (08), De Wayne Eakes (09)

Cragmont Assembly Stock Representatives

Mike Barnhill (07), Gary Bailey (07), Donnie Lassiter (08), Nancy Boykin (08), Donald Ribeiro (09), Neal Cox (09)

Convention Board of Trustees

Jerry Allen, Jr. (07), Walt Tyndall (08), Paul Grubbs (09)

Church Finance Association Representative

Ms. Phyllis Cahoon (07)

Free Will Baptist Press Foundation Representative

Alan Joyner (07)

Laymen's League Board

Roy Wetherington (07), Robert Tripp (07), Herman Tyson (07), Billy Gurkin (07), Eason Barnhill (08), John Newton (08), Paul Beamon (08), Eugene Dixon (08), Dan Vernelson (09), Michael Griffin (09), Otis Gatlin (09), Harry Lee Rogerson (09)

Sunday School Board

Bruce Jones (07), Heath Conner (07), Nancy Cale (07), Paul Grubbs (08), Roger Hill (08), Dale Belvin (08), Kitty Barnes (09), Terry Ellis (09)

The 94th Session of the Convention of Original Free Will Baptist convened at Mount Olive College, Mount Olive, NC, on May 23-25, 2006. Mr. Tony Pangle and wife, Rhonda, song leaders, led the Convention in singing. The Convention was welcomed by Mrs. Pam Wood. Secretary Harold Swinson called the Convention to order. The morning devotion was given by Tina Webster Penny.

The Reverend Fred Baker, President, declared all registered delegates seated for the transaction of business for the Convention.

The floor was opened for miscellaneous business for the reading of constitutional changes that were to be considered.

The reading of constitutional changes were read as follows:

- The Sub-Committee on the Constitution and By-Laws gave the following report.

All changes are in the By-Law section.

As consideration was given to the office of treasurer under Term Limits (Article 2 Section 23) the following change is proposed: The new article would read as follows: **(New Reading)** No person shall be eligible to serve as General Officer for more than two (2) consecutive terms **except** the treasurer who may serve no more than four (4) consecutive two (2) year terms.

(Old Reading) Term Limits: No person shall be eligible to serve as a general officer or a member of any standing board, committee or commission for more than two (2) consecutive terms.

To delete Article III, Section 4 completely which reads:

“Director of Convention Services: the director of Convention Services shall maintain an office to be recognized as Headquarters or Home Office for the Convention for the purpose of general public relations within and without our denomination relative to the entire program of the Convention. The term public relations is to be understood to mean the combining of the activities of publicity and promotion into an overall and well coordinated program in order to influence and guide our Free Will Baptist constituency and the public relative to the program of the Convention.

Public relations within our Convention must include all boards, standing committees, commissions, auxiliaries, conferences or associations, churches, and ministers of the Convention.

Public relations without our Convention must include proper publicity and official representation whenever and wherever possible to properly inform the public of the goals and accomplishments of the Convention.

All publications designed or purported to represent an official position of this Convention and denomination shall be coordinated through the office of Director of Convention Services.”

This office is a hired office not an elected office. For reference, see Article 2 Section 4 which reads: The Director of Convention Services shall be employed by the Convention under such contract as may be agreed upon by himself and the executive committee. The Convention’s Executive Committee shall be the directing and governing authority of this office.

To delete Article 2, Section 18 completely which reads: Commission on Free Will Baptist College Student Fellowship: It shall be the responsibility of this

commission to direct the work among Free Will Baptist College Student Fellowships throughout North Carolina.

To change the reading of Article 3, Section 20 as follows:

(Old Reading) Retirement Homes Board: The Retirement Homes Board shall be responsible for the management and control of the Free Will Baptist Retirement Ministries: (A) The scope of the Free Will Baptist Retirement Ministries is to own, operate, and maintain apartments, rest homes, skilled nursing care, day care and all other facilities and services necessary or incidental to the operation of such retirement ministries and to do all other things usually done in the conduct of such ministries for the care of elderly and indigent persons. (B) It shall give an annual report to the Convention of its achievements and needs.

(New Reading): The scope of the Free Will Baptist Retirement Ministries is to own, operate, and maintain apartments, rest homes, skilled nursing care, day care and all other facilities and services necessary or incidental to the operation of such retirement ministries and to do all other things usually done in the conduct of such ministries for the care of elderly and indigent persons.

- ***Motion made and carried to lay on the table for second reading.***

The President's Message was delivered by President Baker from John 15:11 on the Called Out People of God—Enabled By the Spirit."

The Executive Committee report was given by reading certain points of the report.

- Motion made and carried to adopt the report.

The Treasurer's report was given by the Treasurer.

- Motion made and carried to adopt the report.

The Director of Convention Services, Buddy Sasser, gave his report which included information about the theme for the 2006-2007 Convention: "*Enabled by the Spirit.*" Information was given about the new web site, www.ojwb.org, which is now online. He also shared information about a new program that gives convention churches free computers for church and pastor use.

- Motion made and carried to receive the report for information.

Reports of Denominational Ministries were given:

Children's Home by Dr. Bobby Taylor, Director

- Motion made and carried to adopt the report.

Free Will Baptist Press Foundation, Inc. by Mr. Cliff Gray, Director

- Motion made and carried to adopt the report.

Home Missions and Evangelism by Reverend David C. Hansley, Director

- Motion made and carried to adopt the report.

Free Will Baptist Retirement Homes, Inc. by Mr. Ronnie Taylor, Director

- Motion made and carried to adopt the report.

Cragmont Assembly by Reverend John Williams, Director

- Motion made and carried to adopt the report and to designate June as Cragmont Month.

Just before the dismissal of the Convention there was a short business session for the reading of the Constitutional changes for the second time.

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The report of the Nominating Committee was given as follows:

President	Charles Renfrow	2006/2008
Vice President	Harold Swinson	2006/2008
Secretary	Al Warrick	2006/2007
Cape Fear Representative	Sam Weeks	2006/2007
Central Representative	Leon Grubbs	2006/2008
Eastern Representative	Tim Heath	2006/2008
Children's Home	Donnie Tyndall	2006/2010
	Belinda Barnhill	2006/2010
	Judy Aycock	2006/2010
	Ila B. Penny	2006/2009
Foreign Missions	Jesse Fulcher	2006/2011
Home Missions	Wayne Britt	2006/2013
Minister's Program	Randall Smith	2006/2011
FWB Student Fellowship	Joey Williams	2006/2009
Mount Olive College	Carolyn Jernigan	2006/2012
	Linda Staunch	2006/2012
	Kim Quinn	2006/2012
	Earl Worley, Jr.	2006/2012
Retirement Homes	H.M. Poytress	2006/2012
	Sondra Thick	2006/2011
	Jerry English	2006/2011
Historical Committee	Alan Lamm	2006/2009
Chaplain's Commission	Mark Hobbs	2006/2011
	Harry Grubbs	2006/2009
Cragmont Assembly	Donald Ribeiro	2006/2009
	Neal Cox	2006/2009
Convention Trustees	Paul Grubbs	2006/2009
Church Finance	Phyllis Cahoon	2006/2007
FWB Press	Alan Joyner	2006/2007
Layman's League	Dan Vernelson	2006/2009
	Michael Griffin	2006/2009
	Otis Gatlin	2006/2009
	Harry L. Rogerson	2006/2009
Sunday School Board	Kitty Barnes	2006/2009
	Brenda Best	2006/2009
	Terry Ellis	2006/2009

- Motion made and carried that the report be approved and names placed into nomination.

Introduction of special guests of Home Missions and Harvest Connection were made by David Hansley, Director, who were as follows: Mr. Long Yang and wife, Mrs. Tina Siglet and her sister MaDonna Petterson, Mr. Max Sanders and daughter Kennedy from Sandersville, Mississippi.

The Convention was then dismissed for lunch.

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Afternoon Session opened by the congregation singing "I Know In Whom I Have Believed" by Tony and Rhonda Pangle. Devotion was given by Ashley Summerlin from Ephesians Chapter 4.

A special report was given by Director of Convention Services about church support to all ministries and the convention.

The floor was reopened for a business session for nominations from the floor. As there were no nominations from the floor, nominations were closed and the business session was also closed.

Following the short business session the following ministries gave their reports:

OFWB International (Foreign Missions) by Reverend Harold Jones, Director

- Motion made and carried to adopt the report.

Mount Olive College by Dr. J. William Byrd, President

- Motion made and carried to adopt the report.

Church Finance Association, Inc. by Reverend Donald Fader, Director

- Motion made and carried to adopt the report for information.

Free Will Baptist Minister's Program by Reverend Donald Fader, Director

- Motion made and carried to adopt the report for information.

Free Will Baptist Sunday School Ministry by Mrs. Mary Dudley, Director.

- Motion made and carried to adopt the report for information.

The Convention then recessed for members to attend workshops.

Thursday, May 25, 2006 the Convention reconvenes at 8:50 a.m. The Convention opened with the singing of "It Is Well With My Soul," scripture and prayer by Tony and Rhonda Pangle. Morning devotion was by Ashley Trogdon from Ephesians chapter 11.

The floor was opened for miscellaneous business with the reading of the Constitutional Changes for the 3rd time.

Following the reading Dr. De W. Eakes gave a report from the Task Force On Education for Ministries.

- Motion made and carried that the Convention receive the report as information and that the Executive Committee act on the following recommendations:

1. That the Convention appoint a Continuing Education Committee or Commission. The task of this committee or commission would be to promote continuing education for all ministers, establishing guidelines concerning acceptable materials, classes, seminars, and other forms of education that can be credited as CEU's [the Central Conference already has guidelines set up and has begun this work for continuing education for all ministers].
2. That we endorse the work of the North Carolina Foundation for Christian Ministries.
3. That we thank the Convention for their encouragement and participation in this work and the President and Vice President for Academic Affairs of Mount Olive College for their support and participation in this task. On behalf of the Task Force on Education for Ministers, I move that this report with its recommendations be adopted.

Convention

Following the special report the Convention returned to receiving the following Ministry Reports:

Woman's Auxiliary Convention by Mrs. Joan Little.

- Motion made and carried to receive as information.

Youth Convention by Mrs. Martha Parsons.

- Motion made and carried to receive as information.

Carolina Bible Institute by Reverend Rudy Owens.

- Motion made and carried to receive as information.

Free Will Baptist League Convention by Mrs. Becky Jo Sumner.

- Motion made and carried to receive as information.

There was a short intermission and the introduction of Bishop Forbes and guests: Bishop Perry; Donald Taff, Secretary; Brother Mazingo; and Joseph Rice.

Minister's Association by Reverend Doug Skinner, President

- Motion made and carried to receive as information.

Laymen's League by Mr. Russell Tyson, President

- Motion made and carried to receive as information.

Camp Vandemere by Wesley Taylor, Director.

- Motion made and carried to receive as information.

The Memorial Committee submitted the following report:

Many writers and philosophers over the years have done their best to prove life after death. However, man has not really succeeded in bringing total comfort to our aching and questioning hearts when friends and loved ones die. But, as Christians, Jesus does not fail to bring comfort. He brings forth no philosophical arguments; He does not try to prove the reasonableness of immortality; He simply declares it! He simply speaks with authority of Heaven: *"I am the resurrection and the life. He who believes in me, though he may die, he shall live."* (John 11:25)

When death comes as it has to several of our beloved ministers since the last Convention, we grieve, but as Christians, we believe that these bodies will be raised and their spirits will live on in Heaven. Death cannot divide us nor sever our love and respect for them, for love belongs to the spirit and not to the body. Christ has replaced the dark door of death with the shining gate of life. Isaac Watts sums up these thoughts with his words:

When from the dead God raised His son,
And called Him to the sky,
He gave our souls a living hope,
That they should never die!

Please stand as we remember the ministers of our denomination who have witnessed that living hope since we last met as a Convention body.

Cape Fear	Dewey Carlton Boling Birth: October 7, 1918	Death: March 15, 2005
	Sexton Vann	
Central	Billy Ray Jordan Birth: March 27, 1941	Death: March 15, 2006
Eastern	Roland Cecil Cherry Birth: December 19, 1920	Death: January 15, 2006

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Western	Carol Bryan Hansley	Birth: December 19, 1941	Death: November 19, 2005
	Raymond Wesley Hardison	Birth: February 24, 1930	Death: March 20, 2006
	Charles Edward Morgan	Birth: October 3, 1924	Death: February 20, 2006
	Stephen Douglas Norris	Birth: April 10, 1956	Death: April 26, 2006
	Billy Ray Yawn	Birth: September 24, 1931	Death: December 31, 2005

In addition, we also remember the following minister's wife:

Elise Fort (wife of the late Reverend Joe Fort)

There were no known ministers deceased in the Albemarle, Paul Palmer, Pee Dee and Piedmont Conferences.

If you are aware of a minister or minister's wife who has died that is not included, please contact a member of the Obituary Committee following this session.

Please bow in a moment of silent prayer for these deceased servants of the Lord. The Reverend Robert May will conclude with prayer.

Respectfully submitted, Carroll Bradbury, James Gurganus, Robert May, Bobby Carden, Roney Bunn, Wayne Sheffield, Wayne Watson, Gary Barefoot, Chairman

- Motion made and carried to receive as information.

There was a short break and then the Convention assembled for worship.

The Reverend Frankie Baggett delivered the message for the worship service from Acts 1:1-8 on a topic of "Enabled By the Spirit".

The closing session of the Convention followed the worship service with the following action:

The Chaplain's Report by Dr. De W. Eakes, Chairman:

Your Chaplain's Commission submit's the following report. There has not been a need for the Commission to meet since the last Convention. The chairman, who serves as the Endorsing Agent for the Convention, was able to attend the National Conference on Ministry to the Armed Forces (NCMAF), in Washington, D.C. on December 6-7, 2005. We were in contact with our active chaplains by telephone and email.

Since the last session of the Convention, two of our three military chaplains have retired. Colonel Harry Grubbs retired from the National Guard in June 2005. His last four years were served as State Chaplain for the North Carolina National Guard. It was an honor to attend the special ceremony in Raleigh for his retirement. Harry is now Chaplain at the new Maury Correctional Institute and is pastor at Ayden OFWB Church.

Major Mark Hobbs officially retires in just a few days, May 31, 2006, to be exact. His retirement service was on February 4, 2006 at his home church, Hopewell OFWB Church. Gracelyn is teaching and Mark is doing pulpit supply and short-term interim work at the present. They reside in their home just outside Smithfield, NC.

Captain Richard Holmes and Katina remain at McDill AFB in Florida, but not for long. At summer's end, the Holmes family is being assigned to the RAF LakenHeath Air

orce Base in England for the next three years. The Chapel Team of which Richard is a member received Air Mobility Commands' Large Chapel Team of the Year award this year. This award is in recognition of superior ministries to members and their families. Richard and Katina are also expecting their first baby in July.

There is a continuing need for chaplains in all branches of the Armed Forces. If any minister is interested please contact your Commission. Important discussions continue regarding terminology, requirements for chaplains, and discussions of the role of chaplains in the military. It is important for us to share with our endorsers some specifics about who we are as OFWB.

Reverend Philip Wood is Chaplain at the Eastern Correctional Center, Maury, N.C. of April 1, 2006, and is pastor of Little Creek OFWB Church.

We acknowledge our ministers who are serving in volunteer roles with various hospitals, long term care facilities, and Hospice services. We encourage you to serve in these volunteer roles.

Three prayer items: (1) For all of the chaplains and their families serving the Lord and ministering to our Armed Forces Personnel. (2) That the DOD will continue to support the Armed Forces Chaplain's Services and the vital role they play. (3) That our

Armed Forces Chaplain's Services will be protected from those who seek to remove all religious services and personnel from our Armed Forces.

Respectfully Submitted, your Chaplain's Commission.

- Motion made and carried to receive as information.

Report on the Task Force on Education for Ministers by Dr. De W. Eakes.

It is my privilege and pleasure to bring this report to this 94th Annual Session of the convention of Original Free Will Baptist. It is absolutely amazing to see what God has done and what has been accomplished in the past two years as God is allowing us to partner with Him in this mission.

Two years ago a resolution originated at the annual session of the Ministerial Association of Original Free Will Baptist meeting at Cragmont. The date was May 18, 2004. The resolution requested the "Convention Executive Committee and the Board of Trustees of Mount Olive College to jointly appoint a task force to appraise the need to commend programs of study that will more adequately prepare pastors and others called to Christian vocations to fulfill their calling."

The resolution also included the statement that "the task force investigate the feasibility of a cooperative arrangement between Mount Olive College and one or more seminaries for post-baccalaureate study leading to a master's degree." This portion of the resolution was drawing from the realization that one of the driving forces for the chartering of MOC in 1951 was to provide educational opportunities for ministers. Also the original charter of MOC had as a part of the dream the establishing of a seminary.

I am thrilled to announce that Mount Olive College in partnership with the Campbell University Divinity School will be offering courses in the Master of Divinity program on its campus! The professors from Campbell will teach the courses and we will provide the classrooms, support for the classes, and hopefully, most of the students. Classes begin this year, September 2006. For course selections and application forms see the display shared by the Task Force and the North Carolina Foundation for Christian Ministries. A representative from the Campbell Divinity School will be present to talk with you.

Another part of the work of the Task Force is the financial under-girding for the program. This work, under Dr. Raper's leadership, has gotten off to a tremendous start. One of the endowed funds already in place for this cause is the Michael Riley Pell Endowed Scholarship Fund. We are seeking to fund the tuition costs for every OFW who will avail themselves of the opportunity this program presents. The North Carolina Foundation has obligated to accomplish this task. In the area of continuing education for those in Christian Ministry, the North Carolina Foundation has also established an endowment to further underwrite tuition cost for those who are in the MRM (Modular Religion Major) programs for the nontraditional ministerial students. That is in addition to what MOC already provides by way of scholarships.

Our Committee on Continuing Education made several recommendations to the Convention last year. We offer them to you as items to be acted on pursuant to the receiving of this report.

1. That the Convention appoint a Continuing Education Committee or Commission. The task of this committee or commission would be to promote continuing education for all ministers, establishing guidelines concerning acceptable materials, classes, seminars, and other forms of education that can be credited as CEUs (the Central Conference already has guidelines set up and has begun this work of continuing education for all ministers).

2. That we endorse the work of the North Carolina Foundation for Christian workers of our denomination.

3. That we thank the Convention for their encouragement and participation in this work and the President and Vice President of Academic Affairs of Mount Olive College for their support and participation in this task. On behalf of the Task Force on Education for Ministers, I move that this report with its recommendations be adopted.

- Motion made and carried to receive as information.

The report on the North Carolina Foundation For Christian Ministries was presented by Dr. Burkette Raper.

- Motion made and carried to receive as information.
- Resolution of support for and affiliation with the North Carolina Foundation for Christian Ministries:

Whereas, the members of the Convention of Original Free Will Baptist were formed to promote the ministry and stewardship of Original Free Will Baptists in North Carolina;

Whereas, the North Carolina Foundation for Christian Ministries was formed to foster and promote Christian stewardship and promote and provide support to the ministries in North Carolina affiliated with or consistent with the Convention of Original Free Will Baptist and other charitable, educational, literary and Christian purposes; and

Whereas, the Convention would like to offer and honor its support and affiliation with the North Carolina Foundation for Christian Ministries to further its goal to support ministries and churches affiliated with the Convention;

Therefore, be it resolved that the Convention of Original Free Will Baptist recognizes that it shares common goals with the North Carolina Foundation for Christian Ministries through the mutual desire of the organizations to fund the ministries of the Convention, and as such, recognizes that the North Carolina Foundation for Christian Ministries is affiliated with the Convention. That

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Convention of Original Free Will Baptists wishes to express its support for the activities of the North Carolina Foundation for Christian Ministries.

This the 24th day of May 2006.

The above resolution was unanimously approved by the Board of Directors of the North Carolina Foundation for Christian Ministries in session on May 18, 2006.

Signatures: W. Burkette Raper, President
Charles L. McLawhorn, Jr., Vice President
Donald Ribeiro, Secretary-Treasurer

Following the reports the floor was opened for business.

The final report of the Nominating Committee was placed before the Convention.

- Upon motion that Officers, Committees and Boards be elected by acclamation. Motion carried.

There was an instillation for Reverend Charles Renfrow as President by Reverend Ray Wells. The charge was given by Ray to Charles and a vote of support was given by the congregation. Ray led in the prayer of dedication. The President then shared scripture from Hebrews and closed the instillation service with prayer.

- Motion made and seconded to remove the Constitutional Changes from the table. Motion carried.
- Motion made and carried to adopt all Constitutional Changes.

The report of the Credentials Committee was given by Reverend Neal Cox as follows:

The Credentials Committee would like to thank everyone who attended this annual session of the Convention of Original Free Will Baptists. We had 441 people pre-registered. During the Convention we had 16 Ordained Ministers, 4 Licensed Ministers, 10 Delegates, and 76 visitors and guests who registered. We had a total reported registration of 571 for this Convention session. The registration was as follows:

Attendance by Conference

	Ordained Ministers	Licensed Ministers	Delegates
Abemarle	12		14
Appe Fear	40	3	39
Central	51	2	65
Eastern	68	6	50
Paul Palmer	1	1	2
Dee	8		5
Edmont	9	1	1
Western	53	8	49

- Motion made and carried to receive as information.

The Resolution Committee gave its report submitting the following resolutions:

- Whereas, the members of the Convention of Original Free Will Baptist was formed to promote the ministry and stewardship of Original Free Will Baptists in North Carolina;

Whereas, the North Carolina Foundation for Christian Ministries was formed to foster and promote Christian stewardship and promote and provide support to the

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ministries in North Carolina affiliated with or consistent with the Convention of Original Free Will Baptist and other charitable, educational, literary and Christian purposes; and

Whereas, the Convention would like to offer and honor its support and affiliation with the North Carolina Foundation for Christian Ministries to further its goal to support ministries and churches affiliated with the Convention;

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Charles L. McLawhorn, Jr., Vice President
Donald Ribeiro, Secretary-Treasurer

• Whereas Mount Olive College has been a gracious host to the 94th Annual Session of the Convention of Original Free Will Baptists;

And whereas the officers of the Convention along with the Director of Convention Services and Administrative Assistant have done such a splendid job in planning and conducting the Convention;

And whereas the musicians, worship leaders, speakers and workshop leader have inspired us and motivated us to greater service,

Therefore, be it resolved that the Convention give a rising vote of thanks to Mount Olive College, Dr. William Byrd, and the faculty and staff of Mount Olive College for their warm and wonderful hospitality; to the officers and Administrative Staff of the Convention, and to all those who have made this Convention successful.

With no further business motion to adjourn was made and carried.

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**Minutes of
The 95th Annual Session of the Convention of Original Free Will Baptist
Convening at Mount Olive College
Mount Olive, North Carolina
May 23-24, 2007**

Executive Committee/Officers

President	The Reverend Charles Lyn Renfrow
Vice President	The Reverend Harold Swinson
Recording Secretary	The Reverend Al Warrick
Treasurer	The Reverend Ronnie Hobgood

Conference Representatives

Albemarle, Al Markuson (07)
Paul Palmer, Wayne Sheffield (07)
Pee Dee, Garland Suggs (07)
Piedmont, Wayne Watson (07)
Western, Ray Wells (07)
Cape Fear, Sam Weeks (08)
Central, Leon Grubbs (08)
Eastern, Tim Heath (08)

Boards and Committees

Children's Home

William Hawkins (07), Bobby Tew (07), Thomas Parrish (07), James W. Cahoon (08), Edward Brock (08), Ann Grubbs (08), Franklin Vester (09), Ila Penny (09), Donna Holland (09), Donnie Tyndall (10), Belinda Barnhill (10), Judy Aycock (10), Rebecca Davenport (Emeritus)

Foreign Missions

Gary Bailey (07), Wayne King (08), Philip Wood (09), Phillip Boykin (10), Jesse Fulcher (11), and Henry Armstrong, Jr. (Honorary member).

Home Missions & Evangelism

Bruce Jones (07), Lewis Forsythe (08), Braxton Carter (09), Peyton Lee (10), Howard McPherson (11), Carlee Stallard (12)

Minister's Program

Sherman Dilley (07), Stanley Buck (08), Richard Glosson (09), Phillip Boykin (10), Randall Smith (11)

Mount Olive College

Charles McLawhorn, Jr. (07), Stanley Harrell (07), E. J. Pope, Jr. (07), Nido Qubein (07), Donald Ribeiro (07), De Wayne Eakes (08), Jean Averette (08), Robert W. Wilkerson (08), Wendell Murphy (08), Jane Tripp (08), Charles Pittman (09), Kenneth K. Moore (09), Billy Creech (09), Kenneth "Deacon" Jones (09), Howard Scott (09), Adrian Grubbs (10), C. Darrell Horne (10), Eugene Sumner (10), Carroll Hawkins (10), Bobby

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Williamson (10), Christine Greene (11), Gene Jernigan (11), Lloyd Jones, Jr. (11), Tommy Benson (11), Danny McPherson (11). Carolyn Jernigan (12), Linda Staunch (12), Kim Quinn (12), Earl Worley, Jr. (12), H. M. Poytress (12).

Retirement Homes

Jean McPherson (07), George Wooten (07), Clifford Ball (08), Lloyd Jones, Jr. (08), Reginald Parker (09), Lloyd Hargis (09), Michael Barnhill (10), Dale Belvin (10), Jerry English (11), Sondra Thick (11).

Historical Commission

Pam Wood (07), Edmundo Gonzalez (08), Alan Lamm (09), Gary Barefoot (Honorary), Michael Pelt (Honorary).

Chaplain's Commission

David Langley (07), Alan Lamm (08), Harry Grubbs (09), Frank Harrison (10), Mark Hobbs (11)

Cragmont Assembly Stock Representatives

Mike Barnhill (07), Gary Bailey (07), Donnie Lassiter (08), Nancy Boykin (08), Donald Ribeiro (09), Neal Cox (09)

Convention Board of Trustees

Jerry Allen Jr. (07), Walt Tyndall (08), Paul Grubbs (09)

Church Finance Association Representative

Phyllis Cahoon (07)

Free Will Baptist Press Foundation Representative

Ralph Sullivan (07)

Laymen's League Board

Roy Wetherington (07), Herman Tyson (07), Billy Gurkin (07), Eason Barnhill (08), John Newton (08), Paul Peamon (08), Eugene Dixon (08), Dan Vernelson (09), Michael Griffin (09), Otis Gatlin (09), Harry L. Rogerson (09).

Sunday School Board

Bruce Jones (07), Heath Conner (07), Nancy Cale (07), Paul Grubbs (08), Roger Hill (08), Dale Belvin (08), Kitty Barnes (09), Brenda Best (09), Terry Ellis (09)

WEDNESDAY, May 23

The morning session was opened with singing directed by Butch Haddock. Mr. Terry Coates, First FWB of Kinston, gave the devotions.

The Convention was “called to order” by Secretary Al Warrick

The Rev. Jeff Daughtry, MOC Director of Planned Giving gave a “welcome from Mount Olive College.

President Lyn Renfrow using the scripture of John 13:35 emphasised that we should “Love one another.” He asked the question to the Convention, “Whose Church is it?” during the President’s Message.

Executive Committee Report—read by Sec. Al Warrick Motion to accept—SP

Finance Committee Report—Rev. Ronnie Hobgood Motion to accept—SP

Convention Services Report—Director Buddy Sasser gave the following as information and requests:

- Convention office website is down right now due to server problem
- Directory will be provided by Fall Conference Season; It will be on DVD as well as hard copies.
- The Wall of Honor is on display at the Convention for all to see. Director Sasser encouraged everyone to view it and consider those that might be honored in such a way.
- Please update ministerial and church email addresses and send to Andrea Cox.
- Please visit ministry tables.
- All officers and special guests should get tickets for the President’s lunch.
- Obituary Committee will be meeting in Hunt Lounge.
- Resolutions Committee Room 201 upstairs in Kornegay Hall.
- Described the Life on Loan program for outreach: SS Ministry; FWB Press; and Home Missions and Evangelism in cooperation will provide these services to the churches at no charge.
 - Externally Focused Church
 - H20
 - Simple
 - Making the Church Work
 - January 2008 –Eddie Hammett Seminar will be offered to all who would like to attend.

Received as information.

Reports of Denominational Ministries

Sunday School Ministry—Mary Dudley gave the report from pages 23-26 of the 2007 Reports Book. She added:

- Thanks to everyone for their support.
- Announced that a group would be traveling to Merced California to help the H'mong Laos Evangelical Church with VBS instruction. She requested financial help for the trip.

Recommendations:

1. That this report to the Convention be adopted:
2. That the Convention continue to designate February as Sunday School Month with February 24, 2008 being set aside as Sunday School Day in all OFWB churches;
3. That the Convention encourage each church to include the Sunday School Board Ministry's work in their budgets and continue to pray for its work as it expands; and,
4. That the Convention support the 2007 budget.

Motion to accept—SP

OFWB Press Foundation—Director Cliff Gray gave the report listed on pages 27-34 of the 2007 Reports Book. The report was received as information.

Mount Olive College—President Dr. William Byrd gave the report from pages 35-45 of the 2007 Reports Book with the following recommendations:

1. That the Convention officially adopt the March 14, 2007 report of Mount Olive College;
2. That the Convention continue to designate February and July as Christian Education months and that Sunday Schools and churches be encouraged to designate Fifth Sundays as scholarship days for the benefit of Free Will Baptist students attending Mount Olive College;
3. That the Convention ask Original Free Will Baptists to pray faithfully for the evolving leadership plan, and for those who lead and serve Mount Olive College as they continue to tell the story of MOC as an institution that is transforming education and transforming lives;
4. That the Convention recommend to each church that it provide a five-year plan of support to Mount Olive College for the new academic complex in honor of Dr. and Mrs. W. Burkette Raper;*
5. That the Convention rally the churches to encourage their members to consider Mount Olive College as their choice for higher education in the location and the program that will best serve their needs. The 2007 fall semester begins on August 22. Contact Tim Woodard at twoodard@moc.edu for a tour or program

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specific information; and,

6. That the Convention recommend to the churches the following minimum support for Mount Olive College:

Annual Fund Budget	\$ 700,000
Scholarships and Grants	\$ 250,000
Library Development and FWB Historical Collection	\$ 50,000
Total Requested for Operating Support	\$1,000,000

*Five-year plan for academic complex in honor of Dr. & Mrs. Raper
\$2,000,000

C. Darrell Horne, Chair, Board of Trustees
J. William Byrd, President

Motion to accept—SP

OFWB International—Rev. Harold Jones gave the report on pages 46-59 of the 2007 Reports Book. He also announced that there is an informal agreement with Bishop L. N. Forbes of the OFWB General Conference to start a foreign missions program in Africa.

Recommendations:

1. That this report to the 2007 convention be adopted;
2. That the convention encourage every member to pray faithfully for revival and the fulfillment of the Great Commission;
3. That the months of March and December continue to be designated as “Foreign Missions Months” in our Convention calendar; and,
4. That the Convention support the 2007 budget.

Gary Bailey, Chairman
Harold Jones, Executive Director

Motion to accept—SP

Cragmont Assembly—Rev. John Williams gave the report from pages 60-62 of the Reports book and recommended the adoption of report. Motion to accept—SP

The Morning Worship service message was brought by The Reverend Ashley Summerlin of Jackson Heights OFWB Church.

The afternoon session was opened with singing led by Butch Haddock. Mr. John Butler of Covenant FWB gave devotions using Matthew 28:16-20 as his scriptures.

During the Miscellaneous Business session, President Lyn Renfrow recognized the following Fraternal Delegates and Special Guests:

- o First time delegates.
- o First time ministers.
- o M/M Winston Everett of the Harvest Connection Disaster Relief Satellite

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in Baxley, Georgia.

- Mindy Weeks and Carol Armbrester of Waveland, Mississippi.
- Dr. Chris Dyer, MOC Pres. Of Community in Crisis.
- Adam Wolosiewicz, Sales Director of Portable Church Industry.
- Keith Kenner of Randall House Publications.
- All of the OFWB Conference Moderators.

Secretary Al Warrick gave the first reading of the **Proposed Constitutional Addition to Bylaws Article II, Section 23; Article III, Section 21:**

Article II

OFFICERS, BOARDS, COMMITTEES, AND THE MANNER OF THEIR ELECTION

SECTION 23: Commission of Youth & Student Ministry Leadership: The commission of youth & student minstry leadership shall be composed of five (5) members with the term of one member expiring each year. Of these five (5) members should be at least one (1) ordained Original Free Will Baptist minister, one (1) salaried youth minister and one (1) lay person on the commission to maintain balance. The establishing of terms and the filling of vacancies shall be the responsibility of the Convention of Original Free Will Baptists.

Article III

DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

SECTION 21: Commission on youth & Student Ministry Leadership: It shall be the responsibility of this commission to focus on equipping leaders of youth and student ministries for effective Christian ministry. This commission will advocate for outlets for youth and student ministry among Convention Ministries, through the Woman's Auxiliary, Layman's League, State Youth Convention and other events that facilitate leadership development among youth and student leaders. This commission will also be responsible for offering recommendations to and assisting Churches and Conferences in issues dealing with both salaried and volunteer youth and student ministry staff.

This Commission shall work in support of all other youth and student organizations to bring about unity in the mission field of youth and student ministry. This Commission shall uphold a spirit of unity and cooperativeness.

Nominating Committee Report—Tim Heath, Chair of the committee recommended the following report:

Convention Officers:

Secretary	Al Warrick	2009
Treasurer	Kevin Jackson	2009

Executive Committee—Conference Representatives:

Albemarle	Al Markuson	2009
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Pee Dee	Gary Bryan	2009
Piedmont	Dale Belvin	2009
Western	Ray Wells	2009

Children's Home Board:

Johnny Sullivan; Wanda Crocker; Tom Parrish (2011)

Church Finance Association Representative:

Laura Monroe (2008)

Cragmont Assembly Stock Representative:

Mike Barnhill; Gary Bailey (2010)

Foreign Missions:

Gary Bailey (2012)

Free Will Baptist Press Foundation Representative:

Alan Joyner (2008)

Home Missions:

Bruce Jones (2014)

Minister's Program:

Sherman Dilley (2012)

Mount Olive College:

Donald Ribeiro; Stanley C. Harrell; Charles McLawhorn; Emmit Pope, III; Jerilyn Lee (2013)

Retirement Homes Ministry:

Jean McPherson; George Wooten (2012)

Convention Board of Trustees:

Jerry Allen, Jr. (2010)

Chaplain's Commission:

Preston Smith (2012)

Historical Commission

Pam Wood (2010)

Layman's League Board:

Roy Wetherington; Bill Armitage; Dale Springs; Billy Gurkin; (2010) and Barry Medlin (2009 to fill the unexpired term of Harry Lee Rogerson)

Sunday School Board:

Bruce Jones; Heath Connor; Nancy Cale (2010)

There was a **motion** from the floor to close the nominations. **SP**

Reports of Denominational Ministries

OFWB Minister's Program—Rev. Don Fader gave the report from pages 67-77 of the reports book with the following recommendations:

1. We ask this Convention's continuous prayers in support of this program;
2. We ask for approval of the budget presented; and,
3. We ask that October be designated as Minister's Program Month and that the second Sunday in October be set aside as Clergy Appreciation Day. In addition, we ask that the third Sunday in June be set aside as Minister's Program Sunday in the local church.

Donald Fader, Director

Motion to accept—SP

Church Finance Association—Rev. Don Fader gave the report from pages 85-88 of the reports book as information only.

OFWB Retirement Homes—Mr. Ronnie Taylor gave the report on pages 63-66 of the report book with the following recommendations:

1. That January continue to be designated as Retirement Homes Month;
2. That Sunday, January 20, 2008, be designated Retirement Homes Sunday;
3. That our churches invite the Executive Director to visit and share the program and needs of Retirement Homes Ministry and its clients; and,
4. That our convention and our churches endorse and support our proposed budget and pray for this ministry and its clients.

Jerry English, Chair
Ronnie Taylor, Executive Director

Motion to accept—SP

Free Will Baptist Children's Home—Dr. Bobby Taylor, Director, made the following comments:

- May 23, 1920 received first children at the Home.
- May 21, 2007; 2000th child came into the Home.
- Announced that he was retiring.

Following the report: Dr. Burkette Raper addressed members regarding his stay at the Children's Home. He then asked for and received a rising vote of appreciation to Dr. Taylor for his 25 years of service to Children's Home.

Recommendations:

1. This 2007 report to the Convention be adopted;
2. The Convention continue to designate May and November as Children's Home

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Months, and recommend our churches observe Children's Home Days on November 4, 2007, and May 4, 2008: and,

3. The Convention and representing churches continue to pray for our Children's Home ministry.

James Cahoon, Board Chair
Bobby R. Taylor, President

Motion to accept—SP

DFWB Home Missions & Evangelism—Dr. David C. Hansley gave the report on pages 9-96 of the report book. He made the following comments and recommendations:

- o We have established a disaster relief satellite in Baxley, Georgia.
- o We have 276 registered volunteers ready to go at any time.

Recommendations:

1. That the Convention receive the 2006 report of Home Missions and Evangelism;
2. That the convention continue to designate April as Home Missions and Evangelism Month and that the fourth Sunday be designated as Home Missions and Evangelism Sunday in every Original Free Will Baptist Church; and,
3. That the Convention continue to designate September as Disaster Relief Month in every Original Free Will Baptist Church.

Howard McPherson, Chair
David C. Hansley, Executive Director

Motion to accept—SP

Convention adjourned for the day. Mount Olive College provided guided tours of the three new buildings; Raper Building, the Communications Center, and the Pope Wellness Center.

THURSDAY, May 24

The morning session on Thursday was opened by singing and devotions led by Butch Haddock. The scripture used was Isaiah 9:6 and 1 Chronicles 29.

President Lyn Renfrow reconvened the convention and made the following remarks and announcements:

- Thanks to MOC for their work.
- Thanks to headquarters office; Buddy Sasser, Andrea Cox for their dedication.
- Thanks to Ministries Directors & Boards.
- Thanks to Buddy Sasser as Director of Convention Services.
- Thanks to Executive Committee.

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- Please leave name badges when you leave the Convention today.
- Lunch will be served today in the college cafeteria for those that would like to stay.
- Go by Convention table and look at golf shirts and portfolios with OFWB logos.
- Thanks to John Mark Windley and licensed ministers for ushers and their work.
- Asked the Executive Committee stay around to help with breaking down of displays, etc.
- Registered delegates and ministers are allowed to vote on Convention issues.

President Renfrow called for the second reading of the proposed constitutional addition to the bylaws regarding the Commission on Youth & Student Ministry Leadership. The second reading was given at this time.

Ancillary Ministry Reports

Camp Vandemere—Rev. Wesley Taylor gave the following notes as information:

- June 1 Golf Tournament for Camp Vandemer at Fairfield Harbour.
- Nine weeks of summer camp have been scheduled for this year.
- They are in the process of building tennis courts.

Layman's League—Roy Wetherington gave a report as information:

- LL is sponsoring the Christian Emblem's Program for Scouts.
- Layman's League Program book is being published and suggested that all Layman's League use this as their program book.
- Asked all Ministers to stand and asked them to:
 - Have all the men of the church to visit the homes in the community and invite them to something in the church.
 - Have laymen to help those in the community that have special needs.

Minister's Association—Rev. Alan Joyner gave the following report as information:

- Encourage all ministers to join the association.
- The written report is in a handout at the Minister's Association table.
- The association is planning to have two Spiritual Life banquets.
- Presented the following Awards:
 - Elder P. T. Lucas Awards
 - Full-time Minister: Rev. Fred Baker of Roberts Grove OFWB
 - Bi-vocational: Rev. Owen Peele of Bethel OFWB
 - Distinguished Career in the ministry: Rev. Earl Glenn, retired.

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OFWB League Convention—Becky Jo Sumner gave a report for information.

Woman's Auxiliary Convention—Joan Little, Pres. of NC Woman's Auxiliary gave the report on pages 194-217 of the reports book as information.

Youth Convention—Martha Parsons gave the report from page 100 of the reports book as information but included the following:

- Change in trips to Kings Dominion; has been postponed.

Carolina Bible Institute and Seminary—Rev. Rudy Owens gave the report on pages 101-102 as information.

Morning Worship Service. The morning worship service message was brought by the Reverend Barry Stallings, Pastor of Pleasant Grove OFWB (Pikeville). The message theme was "Renewal, Rededication, & Revival" with scripture taken from Psalm 51:10,13.

Closing Session. At the beginning of the Closing Session, Director Sasser introduced Bishop L. N. Forbes; Original Free Will Baptist General Conference for remarks.

Chaplain's Commission Report—Rev. Harry Grubbs gave the report found on page 104 of the reports book.

Report of the Foundation for Christian Ministries—Dr. Burkette Raper, President of the Foundation gave the report found on pages 105-109.

The Annual Business Session was called to order by President Lyn Renfrow.

The proposed Constitutional Addition to Bylaws Article II Section 23; Article III Section 21 was read for the third time. Motion to accept—SP

The Nominating Report was brought back to the table. There were no nominations from the floor. Motion to accept—SP

The Resolution Committee Report was read by Rev. Ronnie Hobgood.

The following resolutions were presented:

Resolutions #1

Whereas, Mount Olive College has been a gracious host to the 95th Session of the Convention of Original Free Will Baptists, and

Whereas, the officers of the Convention have done a splendid job in planning and conducting the Convention,

Therefore, Be it resolved that the Convention give a rising vote of thanks to the personnel of Mount Olive College and to the officers of the Convention.

Motion to accept—SP

Resolution #2

Be it resolved that this Convention continue to support the licensing and ordination to ministry according to *The Articles of Faith and Principles of Church Government for Original Free Will Baptists (of the English General Baptist Heritage)* as stated under the Rules of Church Government – Section 2, The Ministry.

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We support further the local church and the conference and the licensing and ordination process as stated in the *Articles of Faith and Principles of Church Government for Original Free Will Baptists (of the English General Baptist Heritage)*.

Motion to accept—SP

Respectfully submitted by: Ronnie V. Hobgood, Chair; Al Markuson; Frank Grubbs; Braxton Carter; Mickey Whitfield; and, Jackie Godwin.

Registration Committee Report indicated that this year we had:

• Preregistered ministers and delegates.....	497
• Ordained Ministers registering at Convention.....	19
• Licensed Ministers registering at Convention.....	5
• Delegates registering at Convention.....	37
• Visitors.....	77
• Total Registration.....	635

Report of the Memorial Committee—Ronnie Taylor read scripture from II Timothy 4:6-8 and spoke of those ministers that have gone to be with the Lord using the phrase, “Old Christian Soldiers never die, they just **FLY** away.” The following ministers were remembered with their date of death:

Cape Fear Conference

C. M. Coats	August 9, 2006
William David Barrow	October 23, 2006
Edward (Ed) Miles	March 6, 2007

Eastern Conference

Bobby Chandler	October 9, 2006
Eldon L. Brock	December 28, 2006
Robert (Bob) F. Burke	March 13, 2007
William (Bill) Lynn Littleton	May 8, 2007

Western Conference

Joseph (Joe) Hyman Ingram	June 6, 2006
Don Venable	January 20, 2007

*Mrs. Eunice Morris, widow of the late Reverend E.C. Morris, passed away August 1, 2006.

The Reverend Bobby Futrell led the Convention in prayer following a moment of silent prayer in memory of our deceased ministers.

Respectfully submitted by: Sam Weeks, Chair; David Pooser; Eva Ballance; Alan Joyner; Ronnie Taylor; Wayne Sheffield; Danny McPherson; Wayne Hicks; and Bobby Futrell.

Dr. Burkette Raper: Made a motion that all unfinished business be taken by Executive Committee. —SP

The Convention is Adjourned

**Minutes of the Sixty-third Annual Session
of the Albemarle Conference
of Original Free Will Baptists
Trinity Free Will Baptist Church
Pinetown, North Carolina**

The next session will convene Wednesday, before the second Sunday, October 8, 2008.
The location will be at Sound Side Free Will Baptist Church.

Moderator: The Reverend William Mobley
Assistant Moderator: The Reverend Keith Pelletier
Clerk: The Reverend David Pooser
Assistant Clerk: Mrs. Lois Askew
Treasurer: Mr. Lloyd Jones

The Executive Committee is composed of the general officers of the Conference, chair of the Board of Trustees, chair of the Board of Ordination, and the chair of the Board of Missions.

r. Scott Davis (2008) The Reverend H. P. Norman (2009)
Mr. Ray Collier (2010)

The Reverend Keith Pelletier (2008) The Reverend Al Markuson (2010)
The Reverend Robert May (2009) The Reverend Billy Reynolds (2011)
The Reverend Royce Reynolds (2012)

The Reverend Bill Mobley (2008)	Mrs. Lucy Jones (2010)
The Reverend Woodrow Freeze (2009)	Mr. Don Skinner (2011)

Mr. Lloyd Jones, Jr
The Reverend Paul Grubbs

Mrs. Leytha Mobley
The Reverend Woodrow Freeze III

Jul Grubbs	127 Zack Circle, Elizabeth City, NC 27909
Raymond Lagcher	P. O. Box 104, Belhaven, NC 27810
Robert M. May	146 Slaughter Road, Ahoskie, NC 27910

Albemarle

William C. Mobley	2306 West 5 th Street, Washington, NC 27889
H. P. Norman	P. O. Box 723, Farmville, NC 27828
Keith A. Pelletier	195 Gus Town Road, Creswell, NC 27928
Dallas Pinkham	13099 Hwy 264 East, Pinetown, NC 27865
Billy F. Reynolds	440 Breezy Banks Road, Roper, NC 27970
Royce L. Reynolds	P. O. Box 22, Columbia, NC 27925
Harold Swinson	P. O. Box 397, Kenly, NC 27542
David Pooser	5580 Sidney Road, Belhaven, NC 27810
Al Markuson	5993 NC Hwy 32 S, Plymouth, NC 27962
Charles Parrish	433 SW Broderick Drive, Lake City FL 32025
Woodrow Freeze III	808 Jones Bridge Road, Pinetown, NC 27865
Michael Williams	531 NC 561 East, Ahoskie, NC 27910

Proceedings

The 63rd Annual Session of the Albemarle Conference of Original Free Will Baptist met Wednesday, October 10, 2007 at Trinity Free Will Baptist Church, Pantego, NC.

The Session began with the singing of "'Tis So Sweet To Trust In Jesus," led by Bro. Lloyd Jones and accompanied by Mrs. Lucille Jones. The Reverend Al Markuson brought the devotion from the mission statement of Original Free Will Baptists reminding us of our calling and purpose. The Reverend Keith Pelletier from the host church gave the welcome to the conference and The Reverend Michael Williams gave the response.

The clerk called the 63rd Annual Session to order using the words of the late Oscar Webster, "I, David Pooser, clerk of the Albemarle Conference of Original Free Will Baptist do declare the 63rd Annual Session of the Conference is now officially in session: for prayer and praise to God, for the preaching of His Word, and the transaction of any business pertinent to the ongoing business of said conference. May God to our good and His glory bless our coming together. The Reverend Bill Mobley, moderator, now presiding," and presented the moderator to preside over the session.

A motion was made and passed to adopt the program and to give the Moderator the power to make necessary changes.

The roll Call of churches was made with eleven churches present. Three churches were absent.

The roll call of ministers was made with eleven present. Four ministers were excused while absent. Two licensed ministers were present.

The Reverend Bill Mobley gave the Moderator's address from Psalm 27:4, "One thing I have asked from the Lord, that I shall seek: That I may dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life, to behold the beauty of the Lord and to meditate in His temple." We need our hearts to be rended for God and the sacrifice that His Son made for us. We need to do His will more knowing that Satan is working against it all the time. We need to seek God's guidance, have a love for God's house, and have a spiritual vision so that we may work for the glory of God.

We were led in our offertory hymn, "I'll Fly Away," by Bro. Lloyd Jones.

The offering was taken with the Reverend Al Markuson leading in prayer.

The moderator appointed the following temporary committees:

Resolutions Committee: The Reverend Royce Reynolds
Mr. Wayne Britt

Memorial Committee The Reverend Raymond Lagcher
The Reverend Robert May

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The Executive Committee and the Board of Trustees had no report to give.
The Board of Ordination report is as follows:

October 6, 2007

The Board of Ordination of the Albemarle Conference of Original Free Will Baptists met at the Union Chapel Free Will Baptist Church at 10:00 AM. Members present included the Reverends Al Markuson, Billy Reynolds, Robert May and Keith Pelletier. Mr. James Yoder was also present.

The Reverend Al Markuson read Psalms 100, the group shared prayer requests and the Reverend Robert May led the group in prayer.

A discussion was held concerning Board concerns and various issues.

The Board then met with Mr. James Yoder and discussed his candidacy as a licensed minister. Mount Zion Free Will Baptist Church has requested that the Board approve their licensing of Mr. Yoder.

After thorough discussion The Reverend Robert May moved the Board approve the licensing of Mr. Yoder effective October 6, 2007. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

The meeting closed with prayer by the Reverend Keith Pelletier.

Respectfully Submitted;
Keith Pelletier, Secretary
Al Markuson, Chair

October 10, 2007

The Board of Ordination of the Albemarle Conference of Original Free Will Baptists met at Trinity Free Will Baptist Church at 9:00 AM. Members present included the Reverends Al Markuson, Royce Reynolds, Robert May and Keith Pelletier. Also present were the Reverend Woodrow Freeze and licensee candidate, Jonathan Best.

The meeting opened with prayer by the Reverend Royce Reynolds.

The Board met with Mr. Jonathan Best and discussed his candidacy as a licensed minister. Free Union Free Will Baptist Church has requested that the Board approve the licensing of Mr. Best.

The Reverend Royce Reynolds moved that the Board approve the licensing of Mr. Best effective October 10, 2007. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

The meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted;
Keith Pelletier, Secretary

Al Markuson, Chair

During a time for announcements churches shared their upcoming events, revivals and homecoming services.

We moved on into Denominational Reports hearing from the Reverend Buddy Sasser for the Convention of Original Free Will Baptists, the Reverend Bobby Taylor for the Free Will Baptist Children's Home, the Reverend Bryant Hines for Cragmont Assembly, Bro. Roy Wetherington for Home Missions and Evangelism, Bro. Cliff Gray for the Free Will Baptist Press, and the Reverend Harold Jones for Foreign Missions.

The conference took a short break and then returned for our worship service.

We began worship by singing the hymn, "A Shelter In The Time Of Storm," led by Bro. Lloyd Jones and accompanied by Mrs. Lucille Jones. We were blessed by Mr. and Mrs. Don and Debra Skinner who sang four songs and gave us great encouragement and helped us prepare our hearts for the message.

The message was given by the Reverend Keith Pelletier from Joshua 24:15, "*If it is disagreeable in your sight to serve the Lord, choose for yourselves today whom you will serve: whether the gods which your fathers served which were beyond the River, or the gods of the Amorites in whose land you are living; but as for me and my house, we will serve the Lord.*" We were brought to a point of great appreciation for the wonderful gift that God has given us in being able to choose to follow Him and His ways. We were then challenged to see that there is a right choice. Next, we were to ask ourselves, "What decision will we make when confronted with difficult choices?"

-Do I take up my cross daily and follow Christ?

-Do I submit my will to God's will?

-Do I turn the other cheek?

-Do I pray for those who spitefully use me?

-Do I forgive those who hurt me?

In closing, we were reminded that God created and saved us through His choice, not by chance, and that whoever and however we choose to serve today, the choice is ours.

The conference broke for lunch served by our host church and enjoyed by all.

The conference returned at 1:00 PM with our afternoon devotion. We were led in the hymn, "The Bond Of Love," by Bro. Lloyd Jones, accompanied by Mrs. Lucille Jones.

The Reverend Robert May led our afternoon devotion from Job 1:1 and pointed out to us that we need to be like Job in our right relationship with God, in our reverence for God, and in our hatred of evil. In closing we were challenged to choose what to do not based on any standard other than this: "Does it please God?"

The conference returned to the denominational reports hearing from the Reverend Ronnie Taylor for the Retirement Homes, from Mrs. Mary Dudley for the Sunday School Ministry, from Mr. Wesley Taylor from Camp Vandemere, from Mrs. Becky Jo Sumner for the Woman's Auxiliary, from Bro. Roy Wetherington for the Layman's League, and from Bro. Lloyd Jones for Mount Olive College.

Our memorial service was given by the Reverends Raymond Lagcher and Robert May. The two men led us in prayer and remembrance for the dear brothers and sisters who have gone home ahead of us, who are written in our minds and our hearts, who were faithful soldiers of the cross and it is our place to fill their shoes. Second Timothy 4:1-8 were the verses read and impressed and exhorted us to follow in their footsteps. That we

might say, "I have fought the good fight, I have finished the course, I have kept the faith," 2 Timothy 4:7.

The conference entered in to business with a Union meeting to election of officers. The officers elected were that the current officers return for another term. The next Union meeting will be March 29, 2008 at Shiloh Free Will Baptist Church.

There was no old or new business before the conference.

The Treasurer's Report was given as follows:

General Fund 2007

Brought Forward from 2006	\$2,258.42
Amount Received after Conference	\$560.00
Amount Received from Churches	\$665.00
Amount Received Conference Offerings	+ \$83.00
Total Received	\$3,566.42
Amount Paid Out	- \$752.00
Balance in General Fund	\$2,814.42

Mission Fund 2007

Brought Forward from 2006	\$4,581.68
Amount Received during 2007	\$318.87
Bank Interest	+ \$10.81
Total Received	\$4911.36
Amount Paid Out	- \$500.00*
Balance in General Fund	\$4411.36

*amount transferred to checking for Sunday School Ministry /VBS California

Motion was made to send \$200.00 to the Bobby Taylor Endowment Fund in honor of his many years of service and his roots in the Albemarle Conference. Motion was seconded and passed.

Motion was made, seconded and passed to send \$100.00 to the Reverend Billy Reynolds to assist with gas expense for his medical visits.

Motion was made, seconded and passed to send \$500.00 the Sunday School Ministry to be used in the ministry in the spring of 2008 for Latino Outreach.

Motion made, second and passed to ask the Reverend David Hansley to come to our March 2008 Union meeting to give a report of monies sent for Point Harbor work that is now no longer in existence.

Nominating Committee Report

Officers for 2008-2009

Moderator	The Reverend William Mobley
Asst. Moderator	The Reverend Keith Pelletier
Clerk	The Reverend David Pooser
Asst. Clerk	Mrs. Lois Askew
Treasurer	Mr. Lloyd Jones
Board of Trustees	Mr. Ray Collier (2010)
Board of Ordination	The Reverend Royce Reynolds (2012)

Nominating Committee for 2008

Chair	The Reverend Woodrow Freeze III Mr. Lewis Sullivan The Reverend Robert May Mrs. Sara Parker
Alternate	Mrs. Carolyn Reynolds

Respectfully submitted;

Mr. Lloyd Jones, Jr, The Reverend Paul Grubbs, Mrs. Leytha Mobley, The Reverend Woodrow Freeze III

Motion made, seconded, and passed to accept the nominating committee report as given.

The resolutions committee made recommended these three resolutions:

1. That we resolve to reaffirm our commitment to pray for and financially support all our denominational works and ministries that we may make Christ our Savior known to the world outside the church.
2. That we give Trinity Free Will Baptist a rising vote of appreciation for being such wonderful hosts to this year's conference meeting.
3. That we give the Reverend Bobby Taylor a rising vote of appreciation for his great and faithful service to our Children's Home ministry.

Respectfully submitted,
The Reverend Royce Reynolds
Mr. Wayne Britt

The next annual session of the Albemarle Conference of Original Free Will Baptists will be Wednesday, October 8, 2007 at Sound Side Free Will Baptist Church.

Motion made, seconded and passed to adjourn.

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**MINUTES OF THE
ONE HUNDRED FIFTY-THIRD ANNUAL SESSION
OF THE CAPE FEAR CONFERENCE
OF THE ORIGINAL FREE WILL BAPTISTS
HELD AT ST. MARY'S GROVE OFWB CHURCH
OF THE BENSON COMMUNITY, NORTH CAROLINA
NOVEMBER 13, 2007**

Moderator: The Reverend Aubrey Williamson (2008)
Assistant Moderator: The Reverend Otis Hamm (2008)
Clerk: Eva Ballance (2009)
Assistant Clerk: Carolyn Jernigan (2009)
Treasurer: The Reverend Sam Weeks (2008)
Member at Large: The Reverend Ken Dabbs (2009)

EXECUTIVE BOARD

Aubrey Williamson, Otis Hamm, Eva Ballance, Carolyn Jernigan, Sam Weeks, Ken Dabbs

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Ray Smith (2008) J.N. Bryant (2009)
Donnie Massey (2010) Bobby Johnson (2011) Chris Markuson, Jr. (2012)

BOARD OF EDUCATION

Peyton Lee (2008) Doug Seymour (2009)
Billy Nowell (2010) Wayne Puckett (2011) Martha Parsons (2012)

ORDAINING BOARD

Aubrey Williamson (2008) Sam Weeks (2009)
Joe Ballance (2010) Frank Harrison (2011) Jim Bogle (2012)

CONFERENCE DISASTER RELIEF COORDINATOR

Ricky Warren (2008)

ORDAINED MINISTERS

(P – Present, A – Absent, E – Excused)

A	Norman Ard	P	Wade Daughtry
A	Henry Armstrong	A	Jesse Fulcher
P	Fred Baker	P	Edmundo Gonzalez
P	Joe Ballance	P	Otis Hamm
E	Swade Benson	P	Frank Harrison
P	Cecil Blackmon	P	Ronnie Hayes
P	Jim Bogle	E	David Hill
P	Rayford Byrd	P	John Hill
P	Braxton Carter	P	Roger Hill
A	Scott Casey	P	Earl Johnson
P	James Corbett	P	Fred Johnson
P	Ken Dabbs	P	Emmitt Jones

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A	Dan Jordan	P	Clarence Privette
P	Dean Kennedy	P	Burkette Raper
P	Alan Lamm	A	Scott Satterfield
E	John Rayford Lee	P	Jeff Scarborough
P	Donnie Massey	P	Doug Seymour
P	Richard McKeel	P	Elijah Smith
A	Tony McLamb	P	Hubert Stanley
A	Joe Myrick	P	Charlie Tucker
A	Billy Nowell	E	William Van der Plas
P	Kenneth Phillips	P	Ricky Warren
P	Dennis Pollock	P	Sam Weeks
E	Alan Price	P	Aubrey Williamson
P	Jimmy Price	P	Richard Whitman

LICENSED MINISTERS

A	John Butler - Oak Grove
P	Tina Penny - Johnston Union
P	Bryan Williamson - St. Mary's Grove

PROCEEDINGS

The One Hundred and Fifty-Third Annual Session of the Cape Fear Conference of Original Free Will Baptists (OFWB) convened at St. Mary's Grove OFWB Church, Benson Community, North Carolina on November 13, 2007. Moderator Aubrey Williamson presented the program for adoption.

The congregation opened in singing 'When We All Get To Heaven', *Wilson*, led by song leader, Rev. Dean Kennedy. Carla Williamson offered scripture and prayer from Luke 24:44-49. The conference was welcomed by Pastor Williamson of St. Mary's Grove OFWB Church. The response was heard from Helen Smith of Smyrna OFWB Church.

Clerk Eva Ballance called the session to order. The rules of registration were then explained by the Credentials Committee Chair Roger Hill, as adopted by the One Hundred Fourteenth Session of the Cape Fear Conference. Clerk Eva Ballance called the Roll of Officers and Standing Boards, Churches, and Ministers. The Moderator recognized the visitors. A welcome was extended by Rev. Frank Harrison to Larry Coats for his return to the ministry.

Moderator Aubrey Williamson offered words of encouragement to the conference with reference to Galatians 4:4a, "When the fullness of time was come". He commented that "Our hour has come. God's timing is perfect. We are here at this time to do the work of impacting the world with the Gospel. Nothing is impossible with God. We should be the people we claim to be because of His love for us."

Motion was made to appoint the following temporary Committees by Moderator Williamson. The motion carried.

Temperance/Resolutions Committee: Chair Fred Baker, Otis Hamm, Richard Whitman

Obituary Committee: Chair Doug Seymour, Emmitt Jones

Credentials Committee: Chair Roger Hill, Clarence Privette, John Hill

Nominating Committee: Chair Sam Weeks, Dean Kennedy, Ken Dabbs

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Representatives from our denominational ministries were present and given an opportunity to speak on the behalf of each ministry. The following ministries were represented: Convention of OFWB - President Charles Lynwood Renfrow, Blended Fellowship Mission/Ministry - Rev. Doug Seymour, Foreign Missions - Harold Jones, Mount Olive College - Jeff Daughtry, Sunday School Ministry - Mary Dudley, Home Missions & Evangelism and Harvest Connection - Mary Dudley, Children's Home - Cynthia Batten, Retirement Home Ministry - Ronnie Taylor, Free Will Baptist Press - Cliff Gray, Camp Vandemere - Wesley Taylor, Church Finance and Minister's Program - Charles Lynwood Renfrow, Cragmont Assembly - Carolyn Best.

A report was given by Dr. Burkette Raper for the North Carolina Foundation for Christian Ministries. John Hill spoke on behalf of the Ministerial Association.

The Morning Worship Service began with singing "I Will Sing the Wondrous Story", *Bilhorn*, led by song leader, Peyton Lee. Special music was presented by Heather Markuson. Dr. Alan Lamm, pastor of Casey's Chapel OFWB Church and Professor of History at Mount Olive College, brought the morning message from Daniel 5. He stated that "Our young people are being (incorrectly) taught that Christians are backward, the Bible is not the inspired Word of God, and that Jesus is not the way of salvation. People in the world and in the church, when weighed, are found lacking, just like Nebuchadnezzar and Belshazzar. The handwriting is on the wall today. People tend to come to church to be served, not to serve. There is a need for a spirit-filled, born again revival." An anointing service for Rev. Ronnie Hayes took place during the invitation and altar call.

The blessing was offered and the conference went to lunch.

AFTERNOON SESSION

The afternoon session began with the congregation singing "Sunshine In My Soul", *Sweney*. Scripture and prayer were offered by Chris Markuson, Jr. from Philippians 4:6-9.

The following reports of the Standing Boards were received by the conference (see attached reports of the Standing Boards). The Moderator asked the conference to accept the written report of the executive committee. Motion was made to accept the written report of the executive committee as presented. Motion was carried. The Mission's Committee report from Blended Fellowship was noted as having been given during the morning session. The Ordaining Council report was given by Aubrey Williamson. The right hand of fellowship was extended by Moderator Aubrey Williamson to Rev. Gene Britt, welcoming his transfer of membership from the Central Conference to the Cape Fear Conference. The Woman's Auxiliary Report was given by Carolyn Jernigan. The Cape Fear Youth Fellowship and the Board of Christian Education reports were given by Martha Parsons. The Cape Fear Minister's Conference report was given by Joe Ballance. These reports were accepted as information.

The following reports of the Temporary Committees were then received (see attached reports of the Temporary Committees). The Temperance/Resolutions Committee presented six resolutions, of which five passed and one was defeated. A rising vote of thanks was given by the Cape Fear Conference to St. Mary's Grove OFWB Church for graciously hosting the 153rd Annual Session. The Executive Committee members were given a rising vote of thanks for an excellent conference program. The Obituary Committee reported the deaths of two ministers and a pastor's wife during the past year. Recognition was made from the floor of the death of a previous secretary of the Cape Fear Union. The Nominating Committee made its recommendations to the conference and it

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was voted by acclamation to accept the committee's recommendations. The Credentials Committee gave a report of the Annual Conference's attendance.

The Treasurer's Report was given by Treasurer Sam Weeks and was received by motion (see attached report).

Information regarding the Wall of Honor at Convention Headquarters was presented by Dr. Sam Weeks.

The conference then moved into its business session. New business was presented questioning if there is a need to increase the dues from the churches to the Conference. No action was taken.

The 154th Annual Session of the Cape Fear Conference will be held on November 11, 2008, at Powhatan OFWB Church.

Motion was carried to adjourn the 153rd Session of the Cape Fear Conference and the conference was dismissed with prayer remembering the multiple prayer requests that were made.

Respectfully submitted,

Aubrey Williamson, Moderator

Eva Ballance, Clerk

Cape Fear Conference Executive Committee Minutes 2007

The Cape Fear Conference Executive Committee met December 11, 2006, at the First FWB Church in Smithfield at 4:00 p.m.

The meeting was called to order by Moderator Aubrey Williamson.

Conference Executive Committee present: Aubrey Williamson, Otis Hamm, Sam Weeks, Eva Ballance, Carolyn Jernigan and Ken Dabbs.

Opening Prayer and Devotion: Aubrey Williamson

The Cape Fear Conference Annual report for the Convention Yearbook was reviewed by the Executive Committee. A motion was carried to accept this report as corrected.

Rev. Jesse Fulcher read letters and previous meeting minutes regarding the withdrawal of Vandora Springs OFWB Church from the Cape Fear Conference.

Treasurer Sam Weeks reported the Treasurer's report to the Executive Committee.

A review was made of Daly's Chapel Church reports dated June to October 2006. A motion was carried to request Daly's Chapel Church by letter to continue sending copies of their reports quarterly and in addition to the reports, to request a visit from the Acting Director/Pastor every six months.

A letter regarding Disaster Relief Trailer donations will be sent to all churches in April, 2007.

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A motion was carried to contact Rev. Roy Clifton for reconsideration of his decision to withdraw from the Ordaining Council.

A review of the CFC Annual Report 2006 and 2005 revealed three ministers who had missed two consecutive annual conferences without being excused. Ministers will be notified by letter.

A meeting of the Executive Committee was approved for April 23, 2007 at 4:00 p.m. at Smithfield 1st FWB.

Motion was carried to adjourn. Rev. Ken Dabbs led the closing prayer.

The Cape Fear Conference Executive Committee and The Ordination Board met in Joint Session on February 5, 2007, at the First FWB Church in Smithfield at 4:00 p.m.

The meeting was called to order by Moderator Aubrey Williamson.

Conference Executive Committee present: Aubrey Williamson, Otis Hamm, Sam Weeks, Eva Ballance, Carolyn Jernigan and Ken Dabbs. Ordination Board present: Sam Weeks, Aubrey Williamson and Joe Ballance.

Opening prayer and Devotion: Aubrey Williamson

The December, 2006 Executive Committee Meeting minutes stood approved as corrected.

Treasurer Sam Weeks reported the Treasurer's report to the Executive Committee.

The letter, requesting all churches and pastors to support the purchase of the trailer by the Disaster Relief Ministry, will be released in February, 2007, with a respond date of August, 2007.

Rev. Sam Weeks had an opportunity to interact with Ronnie Taylor, from Daly's Chapel Church, prior to his receipt of the letter from the Executive Committee. Ronnie Taylor stated that he would be glad to continue sending reports for the Executive Committee's review and come to meetings as scheduled by the Executive Committee.

Rev. Jesse Fulcher will submit the 2006 Cape Fear Conference Annual report to the Convention for publication and forward a copy to Clerk, Eva Ballance, when it is completed.

Conference Moderator, Aubrey Williamson and Ordination Chairman, Sam Weeks were in attendance at a meeting at Convention Headquarters. It was noted that the convention had been operating in the red for the past 4-5 quarters. A request was made to ask for financial support from all the conferences. Rev. Weeks asked the Cape Fear Conference

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to give \$1000.00 to the Convention and earmark it to be a source of reimbursement for the Convention president. The motion carried.

Rev. Roy Clifton has responded that he would like to reconsider his withdrawal from the Ordination Board. Rev. Clifton has requested a meeting to discuss his reconsideration. The motion carried to schedule a joint meeting with the Executive Committee and the Ordination Board for this purpose.

Concern was expressed over the organization of a group within the Cape Fear Conference, known as "Fellowship of Conservative Original Free Will Baptists." This group formed during a meeting held at Carolina Bible Institute in January, 2007. It was noted that this may have developed as a result of the problems that arose at the Cape Fear Conference Annual meeting. It was determined that officers had been elected by the group. Rev. Roy Clifton had been seated as moderator and Rev. Jim Bogle, as secretary. In an effort to promote peace and unity within the Cape Fear Conference, a motion carried to request Rev. Clifton and Rev. Bogle to meet with the Executive Committee and the Ordination Board.

Motion was carried to adjourn. Rev. Sam Weeks led the closing prayer.

The Cape Fear Conference Executive Committee and The Ordination Board met in Joint Session on February 15, 2007, at the First FWB Church in Smithfield at 4:00 p.m.

The meeting was called to order by Moderator Aubrey Williamson.

Conference members present: Aubrey Williamson, Otis Hamm, Sam Weeks, Eva Ballance and Carolyn Jernigan. Ordination Board present: Sam Weeks, Aubrey Williamson, Frank Harrison and Joe Ballance.

Opening Prayer and Devotion: Aubrey Williamson

The February 5, 2007 Executive Committee Meeting minutes were approved as read. (MSP)

Treasurer Sam Weeks reported the Treasurer's report to the Executive Committee.

Moderator Aubrey Williamson stated there were two items of old business to be addressed. First, there would be a meeting at 5:00 p.m. with Rev. Roy Clifton, regarding his reconsideration to serve on The Ordination Board. Next, there would be a meeting at 5:30 p.m. with Rev. Jim Bogle, to discuss the relationship of the "Fellowship of Conservative Original Free Will Baptists."

At 5:00 p.m., Rev. Roy Clifton came before the CFC Executive Committee and The Ordination Board to discuss his decision to reconsider his position on The Ordination Board. Members of The Ordination Board offered words of support and encouragement to Rev. Clifton to serve with them. After much discussion, Rev. Clifton stated that he would make his decision and notify The Ordination Board.

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At 5:30 p.m., Rev. Jim Bogle met with the CFC Executive Committee and The Ordination Board and offered insight regarding the formation of "Fellowship of Conservative Original Free Will Baptists". Rev. Bogle stated that anyone who desired to attend the next meeting of "Fellowship of Conservative Original Free Will Baptists" on Saturday, February 17, 2007, should attend even though it was noted that no Executive Committee member or Ordination Board member present at this meeting had received a letter of invitation to the upcoming meeting or any previous meeting. The Executive Committee and The Ordination Board encouraged Rev. Bogle to express to the Fellowship their desire to work together in the spirit of unity and peace.

It was noted that the next meeting of The Executive Committee would be held on April 13, 2007, at Smithfield 1st FWB at 4:00 p.m.

Motion was carried to adjourn. Carolyn Jernigan led the closing prayer.

The Cape Fear Conference Executive Committee met April 12, 2007, at the First FWB Church in Smithfield at 4:00 p.m.

The meeting was called to order by Moderator Aubrey Williamson.

Conference members present: Aubrey Williamson, Otis Hamm, Sam Weeks, Eva Hallance and Carolyn Jernigan. It was noted that Ken Dabbs had missed two consecutive Executive Committee meetings.

Devotion and Opening prayer: Carolyn Jernigan.

The February 15, 2007 Executive Committee minutes were approved as corrected. (MSP)

Treasurer Sam Weeks reported the Treasurer's report to the Executive Committee.

Old business was presented for discussion.

Motion was made to place Rev. Aubrey Williamson in the unexpired term that was vacated by Rev. Roy Clifton. A second to the motion was made. The motion carried.

It was noted that Rev. Roy Clifton had notified Rev. Aubrey Williamson, by phone, of his decision to reconsider his resignation from The Ordination Board and fill the remainder of the term.

Motion was made to offer Rev. Roy Clifton the unexpired term that was vacated by Rev. Aubrey Williamson. A second to the motion was made. The motion carried with one dissent.

Moderator Aubrey Williamson presented a letter to the Executive Committee to notify Rev. Charlie Tucker of his failure to attend two consecutive Cape Fear Conference Annual Meetings without being excused.

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In the way of new business, Moderator Aubrey Williamson presented a petition that he had received by mail that read, "As pastors and /or members of the Original Free Will Baptists of North Carolina, we appeal to the Executive Committee and The Ordination Board of the Cape Fear Conference to stand by the Word of God, and to be faithful to our Faith and Disciplines which clearly limit ordination to the men of our Denomination..." Motion was made and carried to rule the petition out of order.

A discussion followed of the importance to inform and educate the laity of the Cape Fear Conference of the history and heritage of The Original Free Will Baptists. It was decided to hold a seminar in the summer, 2007 and invite a well-informed speaker to address those in attendance.

Motion was carried to adjourn. Closing prayer was led by Rev. Otis Hamm.

The Cape Fear Conference Executive Committee met April 23, 2007, at the First FWB Church in Smithfield at 4:00 p.m.

The meeting was called to order by Moderator Aubrey Williamson.

Conference members present: Aubrey Williamson, Otis Hamm, Sam Weeks, and Ev Ballance.

Opening Prayer and Devotion: Aubrey Williamson

Ronnie Taylor, representing Daly's Chapel, gave a detailed six-month report on the church membership and attendance, expenses, repairs and plans for potential growth.

Ronnie Taylor announced that he had become a licensed minister in the Eastern Conference as of April 1, 2007. He was commended by the Executive Committee for his plan to become an ordained OFWB minister. Appreciation was expressed to Ronnie Taylor for his excellent report to the Executive Committee.

Previous Executive Committee minutes, from April 12, 2007, were accepted and information. (MSP)

Treasurer Sam Weeks reported the Treasurer's report to the Executive Committee.

In the way of old business, it was noted that Rev. Roy Clifton had accepted the vacant position on the Ordination Board.

It was decided that Moderator Aubrey Williamson would contact Rev. Ken Dabb regarding his failure to attend the last three Executive Committee meetings. It was decided that a constitutional change regarding absenteeism was not necessary at this time.

Rev. Otis Hamm gave a report of a seminar he had attended in the Central Conference. Literature was provided to all members present. Explanation was given regarding the program and the Concert of Prayer that followed. A motion carried to proceed with

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program in a similar format for the Cape Fear Conference Ministers and laity. A motion carried to ask The Cape Fear Union's permission to present this program at the Union Revival in September. It was noted that this would be an informative session. Rev. Otis Hamm will get more detailed information for discussion at the next Executive Committee meeting.

The next Executive Committee meeting is scheduled for May 31, 2007 at 4:00 p.m. to discuss the program for September. The Executive Committee meeting in July will focus on the planning of the Cape Fear Conference Annual Convention to be held in November. It was requested that the clerk bring a preliminary layout of the program to this meeting.

New business presented was a request by Blended Fellowship to publicize a Fundraiser, Project 122, on their website. It was approved.

Motion was carried to adjourn. Closing prayer was given by Eva Ballance.

The Cape Fear Conference Executive Committee met May 31, 2007, at the First FWB Church in Smithfield at 4:00 p.m.

The meeting was called to order by Moderator Aubrey Williamson.

Conference members present: Aubrey Williamson, Otis Hamm, Sam Weeks, Ken Dabbs and Eva Ballance.

Devotion: Aubrey Williamson Opening Prayer: Ken Dabbs

Previous minutes, from April 23, 2007, were read and accepted as information. (MSP)

It was decided that when an Executive Committee member misses two consecutive meetings, contact would be made with that member as a show of concern of their absence.

Treasurer Sam Weeks reported the Treasurer's report to the Executive Committee.

In the order of old business, a re-typed copy of the Constitution was given to each member present for their review. Any suggested changes should be presented at the next regular scheduled meeting.

A second item of old business was a letter received by Moderator Aubrey Williamson, addressed to the Executive Committee, by a member of Daly's Chapel, which expressed concerns of the support of Phase II-Harvest Covenant Agreement with Home Missions. Concerns were no pastor being supplied for Daly's Chapel, no teacher or officer training, and no implementation of a Sunday School program. A meeting was requested by the member for action by the Executive Committee. Moderator Aubrey Williamson noted that in a letter dated August 22, 2004, Daly's Chapel had received full reinstatement as a church in the Cape Fear Conference. Then, in another letter dated August 22, 2004,

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Daly's Chapel had requested to be under Phase II-Harvest Covenant Agreement with Home Missions. Moderator Aubrey Williamson stated he had requested a copy of the covenant agreement from Ronnie Taylor. It was determined that letters would be mailed to Daly's Chapel Director, Licensed Minister Ronnie Taylor, Home Missions Board Chairman, Rev. David Charles Hansley, Executive Director, Howard McPherson and to the member from Daly's Chapel who requested the meeting. The letter would request their presence at a meeting with the Executive Committee at Daly's Chapel on June 10, 2007 at 3:30 p.m. to discuss these issues. An alternate date of July 8, 2007 was established. (MSP) A review of the covenant agreement by the Executive Committee was recommended prior to the scheduled meeting at Daly's Chapel. Moderator Aubrey Williamson stated he would contact the member of Daly's Chapel for confirmation of a date. Then the above-mentioned persons would be notified by letter.

A third item of old business concerned the status of Blended Fellowship becoming a church in the conference vs. remaining a mission. It was recommended to think and pray about this decision for discussion prior to the Annual Cape Fear Conference Meeting in November.

There was further discussion regarding a presentation to inform the ministers and laity in the Cape Fear Conference about the issue of women serving in the ministry. It was decided to ask two individuals to write a paper addressing the matter who are in agreement and two individuals to write a paper who are in disagreement. Two individuals will be asked as alternates. Instructions to the writers were that presentations should be a maximum of 20 minutes in length, professionally written, double-spaced, Times New Roman, 12 point, with footnotes. Recommended deadline was established as June 30, 2007. (MSP)

A meeting will be scheduled prior to the regular scheduled meeting for the review of the papers by the Executive Committee provided they are received in a timely manner. It was discussed to address an interest to the Cape Fear Union to consider the September Revival Meeting as an opportunity to present the Forum. Eva Ballance agreed to discuss this matter with the Moderator of the Cape Fear Union, Rev. Braxton Carter.

Motion was made to adjourn. (MSP) Rev. Otis Hamm led the closing prayer.

The Cape Fear Conference Executive Committee met on July 23, 2007, at Disaster Relief Ministry of OFWB in Kinston, North Carolina at 1:00 p.m.

The meeting was called to order by Moderator Aubrey Williamson.
Conference members present: Aubrey Williamson, Otis Hamm, Sam Weeks and Eva Ballance.

Devotion: Aubrey Williamson Opening Prayer: Otis Hamm

Previous minutes, from May 31, 2007, were read and accepted as corrected. (MSP)

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Treasurer Sam Weeks reported the Treasurer's report to the Executive Committee.

It was decided to discuss any recommendations for changes in the Constitution at the next scheduled meeting.

It was noted that Daly's Chapel Church was doing well and there was no need to meet with them at this time.

It was decided to discuss the status of Blended Fellowship as a ministry vs. a church in the conference at the next scheduled meeting.

Discussion continued regarding the Forum. It was decided that Eva Ballance, Clerk, would be the recipient of writings via e-mail and would distribute them to all Executive Committee members for their review prior to the next scheduled meeting. Contacts would be made to encourage submission of writings by August 15, 2007.

A motion was made that August 15, 2007, would be the deadline for submission of materials and if not received by this date, then the meeting for Forum presentation would be cancelled until adequate submissions are received. (MSP)

A motion was made that if the Conservative Free Will Baptists request to address or report at the 153rd Session of the Cape Fear Conference, that their request be denied. (MSP)

A motion was made to accept the 153rd Session of the Cape Fear Conference program as planned. (MSP)

The next meeting of the Executive Committee will be held on Thursday, August 16, 2007, at 4:00 p.m. at Smithfield 1st FWB Church.

Motion was made to adjourn. (MSP) Eva Ballance led the closing prayer.

The Cape Fear Conference Executive Committee met on August 16, 2007, at 1st Smithfield OFWB Church at 4:00 p.m.

The meeting was called to order by Moderator Aubrey Williamson.

Conference members present: Aubrey Williamson, Otis Hamm, Sam Weeks, Ken Dabbs, Eva Ballance and Carolyn Jernigan.

Devotion: Aubrey Williamson Opening Prayer: Otis Hamm

Minutes were accepted as presented. (MSP)

The Forum was discussed and a motion was made to table The Forum because the criteria established for submission of writings had not been met by the August 15 deadline. (MSP)

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A request was made that all writers receive a thank you note and an explanation of the decision to table The Forum and acknowledge plans to revisit the issue after the Annual Cape Fear Conference Meeting in November, if deemed necessary.

Treasurer Sam Weeks reported the Treasurer's report to the Executive Committee. Motion was made to table the review of The Constitution until the next meeting to allow adequate time for reading by all members. (MSP)

Rev. Sam Weeks will contact Rev. Doug Seymour and ask him to make a presentation of his vision for Blended Fellowship at the next scheduled meeting. Blended Fellowship would like to engage in discussions concerning the possibility and feasibility of becoming a Cape Fear Conference Ministry.

Rev. Sam Weeks will present a copy of the resolutions presented at the Annual Convention of OFWB to Eva Ballance, Clerk. There will be further discussion concerning the possibility of presenting a resolution to the Cape Fear Conference, affirming that we continue to follow the already prescribed criteria concerning those called into the ministry as documented in *The Articles of Faith and Principles of Church Government of Original Free Will Baptists (of the English General Baptist Heritage)*, by the Executive Committee.

The next Executive Committee meeting is scheduled for September 24, 2007, at 4:00 p.m. at 1st Smithfield OFWB Church.

Motion was made to adjourn. (MSP) Carolyn Jernigan led the closing prayer.

The Cape Fear Conference Executive Committee met on September 24, 2007, at 1st Smithfield OFWB Church at 4:00 p.m.

The meeting was called to order by Moderator Aubrey Williamson.

Conference members present: Aubrey Williamson, Otis Hamm, Sam Weeks, Eva Ballance and Carolyn Jernigan.

Opening prayer and Devotion: Aubrey Williamson

Ronnie Taylor, representing Daly's Chapel, gave a detailed six-month report on the church membership, attendance and offerings, repairs to the church and fellowship hall and cemetery clean-up. He plans to complete his work for ordination by June, 2008. He was asked to contact Jean Ackiss for information to begin a Woman's Auxiliary. There was further discussion regarding Daly's Chapel coming out from under Home Missions. Rev. Otis Hamm prayed a prayer of blessing for Daly's Chapel and Ronnie Taylor was thanked for the update and six-month report. The Executive Committee will meet with Ronnie Taylor for a report in six months.

Rev. Doug Seymour, from Blended Fellowship, and Rev. Dean Kennedy, from the mother church, Haymount, were recognized by the Executive Committee. Rev. Seymour

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tated that it was a peak time for worship at Blended Fellowship and he was excited and ready to move forward. He stated that the "mission" was accomplished, which meant the goal of bringing the hearing and deaf together in worship had been successful. His vision was to maintain their status as a mission with missionaries reaching the deaf with the Gospel. He presented other long-range goals of meeting the needs of the deaf and in doing so, provide spiritual guidance. Acknowledging that there are six million deaf in the United States and only 2% are Christians, he feels a strong need to remain a mission/ministry in the Cape Fear Conference. Rev. Doug Seymour and Rev. Dean Kennedy answered several questions presented by the Executive Committee. Rev. Seymour was thanked for his excellent presentation.

Further discussion continued regarding Blended Fellowship's status. The Executive Committee made the following recommendation: We recommend and encourage all of our churches to continue to support Blended Fellowship Mission/Ministry. (MSP) Dr. Sam Weeks would contact Rev. Doug Seymour with the results of the discussion.

Minutes were accepted as presented. (MSP)

Treasurer Sam Weeks reported the Treasurer's report to the Executive Committee.

It was decided to not make any revisions to The Constitution at this time.

There was no new business.

Motion was made to adjourn. (MSP) Eva Ballance led the closing prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

Eva Ballance, Clerk

A summary of the following Ordaining Board Minutes was reported. 153rd Cape Fear Conference of Original Free Will Baptists

The Ordaining Board met on February 5, 2007, at the First FWB Church, Smithfield.

Board members present: Sam Weeks, Aubrey Williamson, Joe Ballance.

The Board met at the request of the Cape Fear Conference Executive Committee in a joint session. The meeting was called by the Conference Moderator, Rev. Aubrey Williamson, and Ordination Board Chairman, Rev. Sam Weeks, to discuss a meeting that they had been called to attend by the president of the Convention of Original Free Will Baptists. The meeting they attended was called with all Conference Moderators and Ordination Board Chairmen. It was held on January 24, 2007, at the Headquarters in Hayden, NC. There was discussion concerning procedures for licensure and ordination, with specific attention given to women in ministry. There is concern that all conferences understand the relationship to the churches and the churches to the conferences. The main

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suggestion from our Convention President, Rev. Charles Lynn Renfrow, is the stress on unity among our churches, our ministers, our Conferences, and our Convention.

The Ordaining Board met on February 15, 2007, at the First FWB Church, Smithfield.

Board members present: Sam Weeks, Aubrey Williamson, Joe Ballance, Frank Harrison
The Board met in a joint session with the Cape Fear Conference Executive Committee to meet with the following:

The Rev. Roy Clifton to discuss his reconsideration to return to the Board of Ordination. After much discussion concerning his reaction at the Conference that resulted in his resignation from the Board, we also had questions concerning his affiliation with a newly formed organization called, "Fellowship of Conservative Free Will Baptists."

The Rev. Jim Bogle to discuss the Cape Fear Conference's relationship with an organization called, "The Fellowship of Conservative Free Will Baptists." It was noted that Jim had told his congregation at the first meeting of the Fellowship that it was hosted by the Cape Fear Conference, when, in fact, it was not. Jim noted that this was an oversight and that he had corrected that statement to his congregation. He stated that anyone who wanted to attend the Fellowship meetings was welcomed in the future. It was noted that everyone was not welcomed or invited at the onset, because meetings were held by exclusive invitation only. There were concerns that this group may have intentions that are contrary to the *Articles of Faith and Principles of Church Government of Original Free Will Baptist Churches (of the English General Baptist Heritage)*. There are concerns that this group may be a sect and may have intentions of leaving this denomination. Jim Bogle stated that these are not the intentions of the Fellowship and that they are meeting for the purpose of fellowship and to provide an opportunity to meet with like-minded individuals.

The Ordaining Board met on March 18, 2007, at the First FWB Church, Smithfield.

Board members present: Sam Weeks, Aubrey Williamson, Joe Ballance

The Board met for the purpose of meeting with Larry Coats concerning his interest in returning to the Original Free Will Baptists as an ordained minister, requesting reinstatement of his credentials. The Board met privately for preliminary discussion concerning Mr. Coats' history with the Conference. Mr. Coats was ordained in 1966 out of the Powhatan FWB Church in the Cape Fear Conference. It is noted that Mr. Coats served Rock Springs Church (Bailey), Steven's Chapel Church (Benson), Johnston Union Church (Smithfield), and Wooten's Chapel Church (Clayton) during his tenure. He has been away from the Conference for 23 years.

The Board then met with Mr. Coats to discuss his intentions and for a question and answer session.

After further private discussion, the Board approved the following recommendation which was seconded and passed unanimously:

We will permit Mr. Coats to return to the ministry of the Original Free Will Baptist Church for a probation period, with the privileges of a licensed minister for a minimum of 1-year. During the probation period, Mr. Coats will adhere to guidelines as prescribed by the Ordination Board. Mr. Coats will meet with the Ordaining Board on April 23, 2007, 1:00pm to receive information concerning requirements. Mr. Coats will return to

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meet with the Ordination Board at the Spring 2008 meeting for a review of requirements and possible reinstatement of credentials. Frank Harrison will serve as his mentor.

The Ordaining Board met on April 23, 2007, at the First FWB Church, Smithfield.

Board members present: Sam Weeks, Aubrey Williamson, Joe Ballance, Roy Clifton, Frank Harrison

The meeting was opened with prayer.

The following requirements for Mr. Larry Coats were outlined:

1. That he have the privileges of a licensed minister for a minimum of 1 year, probationary period.
2. That he read Dr. Floyd Cherry's book and Dr. Michael Pelt's book concerning the history of the Original Free Will Baptist Church and review with his mentor, Frank Harrison.
3. That he go through the "study guide" to the satisfaction of his mentor.

The following suggestions were outlined:

1. That he begin some college education with biblical courses
2. That he be a faithful attender of an Original Free Will Baptist Church.

This will be reviewed in April 2008 for action concerning whether or not to restore his ordination credentials.

Motion seconded and passed.

The Board met with Mr. Larry Coats to present the requirements and suggestions as set forth by the Board of Ordination. He favorably agreed to the Board's recommendations. Mr. Coats' address is 7294 Lee's Ridge Rd, Oak Ridge, NC 27310.

The Board agreed to publish Mr. Coats' information about his relationship with the Conference in our denomination in the *Free Will Baptist*.

The Board met with Mr. John Butler to consider another 90 days at Covenant in Hope Mills. Motion seconded and passed that he continue to serve there for another 90 days.

The Ordaining Board met on July 23, 2007, at the Disaster Relief Ministry, Kinston.

Board members present: Sam Weeks, Aubrey Williamson, Frank Harrison

The meeting was opened with prayer. It is to be noted that Mr. Bobby Tew has joined a church of another denomination and is no longer a member of the Lee's Chapel Church in Dunn, NC. Therefore, his credentials as an Original Free Will Baptist minister are nullified. His name will be deleted from the list of ministers from this Conference. The fact that he is no longer an Original Free Will Baptist minister will be published in the *Free Will Baptist*. Motion seconded, passed.

The Board discussed Mr. John Butler to continue for 90 more days of service at Covenant in Hope Mills, NC. Motion seconded, passed that he be allowed to continue.

The Ordaining Board met on September 24, 2007, at the First FWB Church, Smithfield.

Board members present: Sam Weeks, Aubrey Williamson, Frank Harrison, Joe Ballance

The meeting was opened with prayer. The Board discussed Mr. John Butler to continue for 90 more days of service at Covenant in Hope Mills, NC. Motion seconded, passed that he be allowed to continue.

The Board discussed Mr. Larry Coats progress concerning his requirements as previously outlined for the Board's review.

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Respectfully submitted,

The Ordaining Board of the Cape Fear Conference
Rev. Aubrey Williamson, Secretary

The Report of the Minister's Association 153rd Cape Fear Conference of Original Free Will Baptists

During the past year, the Cape Fear Minister's Association had three meetings. Several good speakers made presentations that provided us with excellent information and challenged each of the ministers to work for the cause of Christ.

Our guest speaker in April was Reverend Donald Fader, Director of The Free Will Baptist Minister's Program. The meeting in July was held at The Harvest Connection Disaster Relief Ministry in Kinston, N.C. Rev. David Hansley, along with Roy Wetherington, Rev. Francis Garner and Rev. Tim Heath, gave us an update on the progress of the Disaster Relief Ministry and the importance of developing a church plan for disaster. A tour of the facilities was given. Rev. Doug Seymour gave an update of the ministry at Blended Fellowship in the September meeting.

We have 27 ministers on roll with an average attendance of 10 ministers at each meeting. Two of the meetings were held at the First Free Will Baptist church in Smithfield. Dr. Sam Weeks and his wife, Connie, with assistance from members of his church, prepared the noon meals following each meeting. Disaster Relief Ministry provided the meal following the tour of their facilities in July.

Respectfully submitted,

Reverend Joe Ballance, Secretary/Treasurer

Blended Fellowship Mission/Ministry Report 153rd Cape Fear Conference of Original Free Will Baptists

The Blended Fellowship family wishes to express deep and sincere appreciation to the Cape Fear Conference for your continuing support. Your support is not in vain. God continues to bless our work as we strive to reach the Deaf with the gospel and touch hearts through the Deaf. During the past year, we have received 32 new members, 15 of those were received by letter of transfer, 17 accepted Jesus as Savior and Lord. We praise God for these precious souls, especially the 7 new members from the Deaf community! We currently average about 75 in attendance for Sunday morning worship.

We are continuing to make daily use of the large building God has provided. However, we are trusting Him to provide a solution for our ongoing roof problem and the funds to complete our much needed fellowship hall.

Aside from the facility work, there is still much ministry work to be done as we are truly working in a field that is "white unto harvest". Of the 6 million deaf people in the United States, only 2% claim to be Christian. This is simply not acceptable. With

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your help, we intend to impact the Deaf world with the message of salvation through Jesus Christ. We believe the Deaf are worth the effort and the cost. Consider what God has already paid for them.

Respectfully submitted,

Doug Seymour, Pastor

Cape Fear Youth Fellowship Summary Report 2007

Our attendance is not as good as we would like. However, we did have a great turnout for our Annual Field Day at the Children's Home. This year we went to White Lake and invited the children from the Children's Home. They came and had a great time. We also collected supplies for the Children's Home on the same day. It was very good, also.

Mary Allen and I would like to encourage your church to make plans to attend all Youth Rallies in 2008. You should have received a schedule for 2008 giving the dates and places the rallies will be held. If you have any questions about the Cape Fear Youth Fellowship, please feel free to call Mary Allen at 919-963-9620 or Martha Parsons at 910-438-9299. Please keep us in your prayers as we try to work with the youth.

Respectfully submitted,

Martha Parsons, Co-Director

Christian Board of Education Report to the Cape Fear Conference

Each year the committee sends letters with an application to each Cape Fear Conference Church for all seniors who are going to attend college in the fall to apply for the scholarship that is given each year. This year we were able to award each person that applied a scholarship. The committee developed a score sheet giving points for the following:

1. Financial need/income
2. Activities-church/school
3. Academic record
4. College attending
5. Field of study

This year each person was highly qualified. We had a tie with 18 points each, one with 16 points and the other with 14 points. The scholarships were awarded to the following:

1. Kimberly Dale Canady, Powhatan OFWB, 1st place, \$500.00
2. Geneva Runion, Lee's Chapel OFWB, 1st place, \$500.00
3. Aaron Douglas Allen, Blended Fellowship, 2nd place, \$150.00
4. Mary Christina Britt, St. Paul's OFWB, 3rd place, \$100.00

Each church was sent a letter informing them that the Cape Fear Conference had set the month of October as Christian Board of Education Month. Each church was

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asked to support the Christian Education with a donation. If your church has not acknowledged that request, we will accept it at any time. Some churches have already done so. You can send your donation to Dr. Sam Weeks, 2033 Smith Road, Smithfield, N.C. 27577. The committee's goal is to give each one that applies a \$500.00 scholarship. We want to thank you for your donation.

Respectfully submitted,

Martha Parsons, Chairperson

Temperance and Resolutions Committee

1. **Whereas** the Convention of OFWB adopted Resolution #2, stated below, at its annual meeting in May, 2007,

Resolution #2: Be it resolved that this Convention continue to support the licensing and ordination to ministry according to the *Articles of Faith and Principles of Church Government for Original Free Will Baptist (of the English General Baptist Heritage)* as stated under the Rules of Church Government – Section 2, The Ministry.

We support further the local church and the conference and the licensing and ordination process as stated in the *Articles of Faith and Principles of Church Government for Original Free Will Baptist (of the English General Baptist Heritage)*.

Therefore, be it resolved that the Cape Fear Conference adopt the same resolution at its annual meeting, November 13, 2007.

Submitted by Otis Hamm representing the Executive Committee of the Cape Fear Conference

Resolution adopted

2. **Whereas**, the ministry of the North Carolina Foundation for Christian Ministries is Godly and fruitful for the furtherance of God's Kingdom through His chosen vessels,

Therefore, be it resolved that the Cape Fear Conference contribute twelve hundred dollars (\$ 1,200.00) to this fine work.

Submitted by Otis Hamm representing the Executive Committee of the Cape Fear Conference

Resolution adopted

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3. **Whereas**, the public media continues to discredit and ridicule our God and our faith in Him,

Therefore, be it resolved that the Cape Fear Conference reaffirms its historic stand against sinful amusements and encourages our members to abstain from all filthy magazines, books, TV programs and movies.

Submitted by J. N. Bryant and Fred Baker

Resolution adopted

4. **Be it resolved** that the 153rd Annual Session of the Cape Fear Conference petitions the Convention to form a committee to study, for revision and clarification, Section 2 of our Statement of Faith and Discipline, that the qualifications for the ministry, with particular interest to women, might be resolved and subsequently approved by the denomination overall.

Submitted by The Reverend Jim Bogle

Resolution defeated

5. **Whereas**, Saint Mary's Grove OFWB Church has been so hospitable and gracious in hosting the 153rd Annual Session of the Cape Fear Conference,

Therefore, be it resolved that the Cape Fear Conference give a rising vote of thanks to the Saint Mary's Grove OFWB Church.

Submitted by the Resolutions Committee

Resolution adopted

6. **Whereas**, the Executive Committee has provided great leadership for the Cape Fear Conference this past year and has prepared and carried out an excellent conference program,

Therefore, be it resolved that the Cape Fear Conference give a rising vote of thanks to the Executive Committee members.

Submitted by the Resolutions Committee

Resolution adopted

Respectfully submitted,
Fred Baker, Chair

Obituary Committee

The committee reports that two of our ministers have departed from us this past year, the Reverend Ed Miles and the Reverend Roy Clifton, as well as, Lucille Armstrong, wife of Rev. Henry Armstrong. Recognition of the passing of Ruth Warrick was made for her devoted service as Secretary for the Cape Fear Conference Union.

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Respectfully submitted,

Doug Seymour, Chair

Credential Committee

Present at the One Hundred Fifty-Third Annual Session of Cape Fear Conference are as follows:

Ministers	38	
Delegates	37	
Visitors	21	
Officers	<u>2</u>	
Total	98	(Several workers not counted)

Respectfully submitted,

Roger Hill, Chair

Nominating Committee

The Nominating Committee submitted the following to serve the conference:

Executive Committee-	Clerk, Eva Ballance (2009)
	Assistant Clerk, Carolyn Jernigan (2009)
	Member at Large, Ken Dabbs (2009)
Board of Trustee-	Chris Markuson, Jr. (2012)
Board of Education-	Martha Parsons (2012)
Ordaining Board-	Jim Bogle (2012)

Notation: The Cape Fear Conference Executive Committee will continue to serve as the Cape Fear Conference Mission Board.

Respectfully submitted,

Sam Weeks, Chair

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**Cape Fear Conference Treasurer's Report
November 14, 2006 - November 12, 2007
St. Mary's Grove OFWB Church
November 13, 2007**

I. Balance on hand as of November 13, 2006: **\$1,961.00**

II. Receipts:

2006 Conference (offering and letters)	\$2,748.05
Union offerings and letters (Apr/Jul/Sept)	\$2,053.00
Late Conference/Union (Mailed in)	\$850.00
Designated Gift for Disaster Relief Trailer (Robert's Grove)	\$500.00
Designated Gifts for Education Fund	\$350.00
Designated Gifts for Blended Fellowship Mission	<u>\$3,200.00</u>

Total Receipts: **\$9,701.05**

Total to account for: **\$11,662.05**

III. Disbursements:

Conf/Union Expenses (Postage, travel, honorariums)	\$791.49
N. C. Foundation for Christian Ministries	\$1,200.00
Foreign Missions	\$468.94
Home Missions	\$468.92
Home Missions (Disaster Relief Trailer)	\$500.00
Education Scholarship	\$1,250.00
Blended Fellowship Designated Gifts	\$3,200.00
Convention of OFWB (2005 Report Books)	\$1,715.00
Love Gift	<u>\$50.00</u>

Total Disbursements: **\$9,644.35**

IV. Balance on hand as of November 12, 2007: **\$2,017.70**
(Out of this balance \$409.84 is in the Education Fund)

V. Formula for disbursements:

Missions = 25% (half to Foreign and half to Home)
Christian Education Fund = 20%
Union and Conference expenses = 55%

Respectfully submitted,

Sam Weeks, Treasurer

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**Minutes
of the
259th Annual Session
of the
Central Conference
of the
Original Free Will Baptists**

**Held with
Free Union Original Free Will Baptist Church of Walstonburg
Greene County, North Carolina
Thursday, November 8, 2007
The Reverend Alan Joyner, Host Pastor**

Officers of the Conference

Moderator: The Reverend Ronnie Hobgood

Assistant Moderator: The Reverend Johnny Sullivan

Clerk: The Reverend Alan Joyner

Assistant Clerk: The Reverend Phillip Boykin

Treasurer: The Reverend Charles Branch

Boards and Committees

Executive Committee (2006-2008)

The Reverend Phillip Boykin, Moderator
The Reverend Johnny Sullivan, Assistant Moderator
The Reverend Alan Joyner, Clerk
The Reverend Mark Hobbs, Assistant Clerk
The Reverend Charles Branch, Treasurer

Board of Ordination

The Reverend Leon Grubbs (2008) The Reverend Tony Glass (2010)
The Reverend C.H. Overman (2009) The Reverend Frank Flowers (2011)
The Reverend Doctor Franklin Baggett (2012)

Board of Trustees

Mr. Rex Wainwright (2008) Mr. Jay Tripp (2009)
Mrs. Barbara Mills (2010)

Representation of Membership in the Free Will Baptist Press Foundation, Inc.

The Reverend Tony Parrish (2008)

Credentials Committee

The Reverend Doug Owens (2008) The Reverend Frank Cockrell (2009)
The Reverend Marc Boswell (2010)

Memorial Committee

The Reverend Charles Russell (2008) Mr. Jay Tripp (2009)
The Reverend Tony Parrish (2010)

Conference Historian

Dr. Michael Pelt (2008)

Representative of Membership in Church Finance Association, Inc.

Mr. I.Z. Cobb (2008)

Continuing Education Committee

The Reverend Doug Tyson (2008) The Reverend Barry Williamson (2009)
The Reverend Bryant Hines (2010)

Church Growth Committee

The Reverend Kelley Smart (2008) The Reverend Todd Sutton (2009)
The Reverend Jack Weathersby (2010)

Proceedings

The Central Conference, being the continuation of the General Conference of Original Free Will Baptists of North Carolina, convened in its 259th annual session with Free Union Original Free Will Baptist Church of Walstonburg, North Carolina, on Thursday, November 8, 2007, at 9:30 a.m.

The Conference opened with the hymn, "The Family of God." Mr. James Wiggins read scripture taken from Matthew 26:36-46 and lead us in prayer.

The Reverend Alan Joyner, clerk, called the 259th annual session to order. The Reverend Alan Joyner, pastor of the host church, extended a cordial welcome to the Conference.

The Reverend Ronnie Hobgood, moderator, shared several points using Psalm 126:5-6 as his text. Ronnie reminded the Conference of the harvest that we see being taken in all around us. He reminded us that there should be a joy in our hearts as we see the harvest coming in from God. First there must be a time planting and that it may not always take place within the church walls. Second there must be a time of watering. We should have a heart cry for those around us and those in our churches that are not growing. It takes time for those who are willing to invest in the lives of others. Thirdly there will be a time of Harvesting and joy if we continue along the proper path of service to God.

The roll of churches was called with 36 churches responding with delegates.

Fourteen visitors were recognized and welcomed by the moderator.

The moderator appointed temporary committees as follows:

Nominating Committee: Reverends Frankie Baggett, Frank Cockrell, Barry Williamson

Resolutions Committee: Reverends Leon Grubbs, Gary Bailey, Philip Wood

Parliamentarian: Dr. Michael Pelt

The report of the Executive Committee was read by the clerk. By motion, the report was adopted. [see Reports]

The report of the Board of Ordination was read by Reverend Tony Glass. By motion, the report was adopted. [see Reports]

The Reverend C. H. Overman presented the motions from the Board of Ordination. [see Reports]

The Reverend Ronnie Hobgood, moderator, along with the Conference extended a welcome to membership in the conference to the Reverends Bryant Hines, Ronnie Mohn, and Doug Skinner as ordained ministers. Welcome was also extended to Spencer Owens, Keith Phillips, Andy Sugg, and Chris Alphin as licensed ministers.

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At 10:40 a.m. the Conference business was set aside for the worship service. The service was opened in prayer by Reverend Ronnie Hobgood. The congregation was then led by Reverend Phillip Boykin in the singing of "Praise Him! Praise Him!" The offering for the conference was then received and the offertory prayer was given by Reverend Alan Joyner. Dr. Taylor was presented a certificate from the Central Conference in honor of his many years of service at the Free Will Baptist Children's Home. Special music was presented by Mrs. Janet Joyner. The Reverend Charles Branch led in the Morning Prayer. The congregation was then led by Reverend Boykin in the singing of "Let's Just Praise the Lord." The Reverend Doctor Bobby Taylor delivered the conference sermon. Before he delivered the message he gave a special thank you to all that had helped and given so much to meet the needs of the Children's Home. His text came from Acts 1:6-8. Dr. Taylor stated that the disciples were called to work not rest on what they had done. The church is also called to go and do just as the disciples. The church is not called to operate alone it receives its power from the Holy Spirit to share God's redemptive love to the world. We are to seek out humanity and tell them of God's grace. Dr. Taylor reminded us that the church must have a vision if all of these things are to be carried out. The first church was complimented by prayer, sharing, and caring for those that surrounded them. The church that grows has the missionary vision in order to share through its motives of love of Christ, commission for Christ, to share where there is a need and to service as the Lord did. We were given the reminder that we are all called to the ministry to go and share. Dr. Taylor shared as he closed that as we stand looking for Christ we should be moved and reverently serving Christ.

The worship service concluded with the singing of "Fairest Lord Jesus" and a corporate reading of an affirmation of faith based on our Articles of Faith.

The service closed in prayer by Reverend Phillip Boykin.
The business session continued at 11:40 a.m.

Representing the denominational and conference ministries were as follows:

Children's Home: Dr. Bobby Taylor; Camp Vandemere: Reverend Wesley Taylor; Cragmont Assembly: Reverend Bryant Hines; Foreign Missions: Reverend Harold Jones; Free Will Baptist Press: Mr. Darren Davenport; Home Mission and Evangelism and Disaster Relief: Mr. Roy Wetherington; Mount Olive College: Reverend Jeff Daughtry; Ministers Program: Reverend Phillip Boykin; Sunday School Board: Ms. Mary Dudley; Retirement Homes: Mr. Ronnie Taylor

The Conference recessed for the noon meal at 12:20 p.m. with prayer by Reverend Alan Joyner.

Afternoon Session

The afternoon session was called to order at 1:15 p.m.

We began our Memorial service with the singing of "Near to the Heart of God."

The Reverend Charles Russell, Mrs. Faye Adams, and Mr. Jay Tripp gave the report of the Memorial Committee. By motion the report was adopted. [see Reports]

We continued with the denominational and conference ministries as follows:

Convention: Reverend Buddy Sasser; N. C. Foundation for Christian Ministries: Dr. Burkette Raper

The roll call of ministers was called with 38 ministers present.

The Reverend Frank Cockrell gave the report of the Credentials Committee. By motion, the report was adopted. [see Reports]

The Reverend Charles Branch gave the Treasurer's Report. By motion, the report was adopted. [see Reports]

By motion, it was agreed to accept the proposed Conference budget for 2007-2008.

The Reverend Jack Weathersby gave the report of the Church Growth Committee. By motion, the report was adopted. [see Reports]

The Reverend Barry Williamson gave the report of the Continuing Education Committee. By motion, the report was adopted. [see Reports]

The Reverend Doctor Franklin Baggett gave the report of the Nominating Committee. By motion, the report was adopted. [see Reports]

The floor was opened for other nominations. By motion, the nominations ceased, and the nominees were elected by acclamation.

The Reverend Leon Grubbs gave the report of the Resolutions Committee. [see Reports]

The moderator called for miscellaneous business. [see Reports]

The Reverend Alan Joyner, clerk and the Reverend Charles Branch, treasurer, presented certificates to the following ministers in recognition of years of service: Reverend C. H. Overman [55 years], Reverend Tom Miller [40 years], Reverend Harry Grubbs [40 years], Reverend Gary Bailey [35 years], Reverend Frank Flowers [35 years], Reverend Ray Williamson [30 years], and Reverend Kevin Jackson [25] years.

The Conference was adjourned by singing "The Bond of Love"

The Conference was dismissed with prayer by the congregation as they recited "The Lord's Prayer."

Respectfully submitted,
The Reverend Ronnie Hobgood, Moderator
The Reverend Alan Joyner, Clerk

Reports

Report of the Executive Committee

January 5, 2007

The Executive Committee of the Central Conference met on January 5, 2007, at 9:00 a.m. at the First Free Will Baptist Church, Greenville. Present for the meeting were the Reverends Ronnie Hobgood, Johnny Sullivan, Alan Joyner, Phillip Boykin, Charles Branch and Brad Williamson. The Reverend Ronnie Hobgood called the meeting to order and read from Proverbs 3:5-6. The Reverend Ronnie Hobgood opened with prayer.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

The Reverend Charles Branch presented the treasurer's report and by motion the report was approved.

The minutes of the 258th session of the Central Conference were read, corrected, and approved.

Discussion was given during the Conference follow-up that there will be a letter sent to each minister with unpaid dues giving a specific date of when the dues will need to be paid, or they will be asked to meet with the Board of Ordination. A letter will be sent to the chair of each Deacon board of the Central Conference concerning the contributions to the Central Conference.

By motion, it was agreed Reverend Ronnie Hobgood will serve as an appointed representative to the Board of Ordination, and Reverend Johnny Sullivan will serve as an appointed representative to the Continuing Education Committee and the Church Growth Committee.

Discussion was given concerning the projects for 2007. We should continue to support the college ministry. A fellowship dinner for ministers and wives may be held in conjunction with the Ministerial Association. The book on Conference will hopefully be completed by the Conference. Delegates to the convention are 1 for every 100 members.

A format and discussion was given concerning the "Open Forum on The Ministry." The Executive Committee will meet with the Board of Ordination on this subject.

The Reverend Charles Branch presented to the Executive Committee that Miss Leah McGlohon has asked to be replaced on the Memorial Committee. By motion it was agreed to ask Mrs. Faye Adams to finish out the current term.

The next meeting of the Central Conference Executive Committee will be January 22, 2007 at 9:30am at the First FWB Church, Greenville. This will be a joint meeting with the Central Conference Board of Ordination.

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The meeting was adjourned with prayer by Reverend Phillip Boykin

January 22, 2007

The Executive Committee of the Central Conference met jointly with The Central Conference Board of Ordination on January 22, 2007, at 10:00 a.m. at the First Free Will Baptist Church, Greenville. Present for the meeting were the Reverends Ronnie Hobgood, Johnny Sullivan, Alan Joyner, Charles Branch, Tony Glass, Frank Flowers, Frankie Baggett, and C.H. Overman. The Reverend Ronnie Hobgood called the meeting to order and read from Proverbs 3:5-6. The Reverend Ronnie Hobgood opened with prayer.

The purpose of this joint meeting was for the planning of the open forum on "The Ministry." The forum will be on April 21, 2007 from 9-12 at the First Free Will Baptist Church in Greenville, NC. The areas that were discussed were attendance, topics to be addressed, and scripture to be addressed. Every minister of the Central Conference and those serving Central Conference churches will be invited to attend. Each church may send a representative just as they do to the convention 1 per 100 members. The President of the Convention and the Director of Convention Services will be invited as observers. The topics and speakers that will be asked to present are, "What is Ministry" (Reverend C. H. Overman), "The Call to Ministry" (Reverend Gary Bailey), "Receiving the Call to Ministry" (Reverend Brad Williamson and Reverend Michael Pelt). Each presenter will be asked to present a written copy of their talk.

The meeting was adjourned with prayer by Reverend Charles Branch.

July 16, 2007

The Executive Committee of the Central Conference met on July 16, 2007, at 9:00 a.m. at Free Union Original Free Will Baptist Church Walstonburg. Present for the meeting were the Reverends Ronnie Hobgood, Johnny Sullivan, Alan Joyner, Phillip Boykin, and Charles Branch. The Reverend Ronnie Hobgood called the meeting to order and read from Psalm 1. The Reverend Ronnie Hobgood opened with prayer.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

The Reverend Charles Branch presented the treasurer's report and by motion the report was approved.

The Executive Committee discussed possible sites for the 2007 Conference. Free Union Original Free Will Baptist Church Walstonburg, N.C. will be asked to host this year's Conference. The Reverend Dr. Bobby Taylor will be asked to deliver the message for the Conference. We would also like to honor Dr. Taylor for his work at the Children's Home.

Discussion was given concerning the college ministry program. The Reverend Phillip Boykin will get in touch with the Reverend Scott Satterfield and see when he could meet

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with the Executive Committee. The Reverend Ronnie Hobgood will follow up on this meeting.

Discussion was given to host a joint event with the Ministerial Association for a meal and time of fellowship among the ministers and their wives. The Reverend Johnny Sullivan will check on possible dates and places for this event in the spring of 2008.

The Executive Committee agreed to purchase a laptop to be used by the Central Conference Board of Ordination.

The Reverend Charles Branch was asked to send a letter to each church concerning their contribution to the Central Conference.

The Reverend Ronnie Hobgood was asked to send a letter to the ministers of the Central Conference with unpaid dues.

The meeting was adjourned with prayer by the Reverend Johnny Sullivan.

October 25, 2007

The Executive Committee of the Central Conference met on October 25, 2007, at 9:00 a.m. at Free Union Original Free Will Baptist Church Walstonburg N.C. Present for the meeting were the Reverends Ronnie Hobgood, Johnny Sullivan, Alan Joyner, Phillip Boykin, and Charles Branch. The Reverend Ronnie Hobgood called the meeting to order and read from Acts 1:8. The Reverend Charles Branch opened with prayer.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

The Reverend Charles Branch presented the treasurer's report and by motion the report was approved.

Discussion was given concerning the upcoming conference. The Reverend Doctor Franklin Baggett and the Reverends Frank Cockrell and Barry Williamson will be asked to serve on the Nominating Committee. There was discussion concerning the format for the conference.

By motion it was agreed to present the Reverend Doctor Bobby Taylor with a certificate of appreciation for his years of service at the Free Will Baptist Children's Home in Middlesex, N.C. along with \$1000.00 to be given to the Doctor Bobby Taylor Endowment at the Free Will Baptist Children's Home.

By motion it was agreed to recommend to the Nominating Committee for the Reverend Phillip Boykin to fill the unexpired term of the Reverend Ronnie Hobgood as Conference Moderator.

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By motion it was agreed to recommend to the Nominating Committee the Reverend Mark Hobbs be asked to fulfill the unexpired term of the Reverend Phillip Boykin as assistant clerk.

The next meeting of the Central Conference Executive Committee will be November 8, 2007 at 8:30 am at Free Union Original Free Will Baptist Church, Walstonburg.

The meeting was adjourned with prayer by the Reverend Johnny Sullivan.

November 8, 2007

The Executive Committee of the Central Conference met on November 8, 2007, at 8:30 a.m. at Free Union Original Free Will Baptist Church Walstonburg N.C. Present for the meeting were the Reverends Ronnie Hobgood, Alan Joyner, Phillip Boykin, and Charles Branch. The Reverend Ronnie Hobgood called the meeting to order.

By motion it was agreed to accept the order of the Conference and to allow the Moderator to make any necessary changes.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

The meeting was adjourned in prayer by the Reverend Phillip Boykin.

Report of the Board of Ordination

Central Conference Board of Ordination

Rev. C.H. Overman, Chairman	Rev. Leon Grubbs
Rev. Frank Flowers	Rev. Tony Glass, Secretary
Dr. Franklin Baggett	

Meetings

The Board of Ordination has met eight times since the last conference.

Approved For License

- Mr. Spencer Owens
- Mr. Keith Phillips
- Mr. Andy Sugg
- Mr. Chris Alphin

Transfer of Conference Membership

- Rev. Bryant Hines has requested his membership be transferred from the Eastern Conference to the Central Conference.
- Rev. Ronnie Mohn has requested his membership be transferred from the Eastern Conference to the Central Conference.
- Rev. Gene Britt has requested his membership be transferred from the Central Conference to the Cape Fear Conference.

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- Rev. Doug Skinner has requested his membership be transferred from the Western Conference to the Central Conference.

Approved for work in the Conference

- Rev. Glen Batten assumed pastoral duties of Bethany Original Free Will Baptist Church under the direction of the Board of Ordination.
- Rev. Doug Skinner assumed pastoral duties of Spring Branch Original Free Will Baptist Church.
- Mr. Duane (Butch) Haddock assumed pastoral duties of Hillside Original Free Will Baptist Church under the direction of the Board of Ordination.

Meetings of the Board for the Year 2008

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| • January 8, 2008 | 10:00 AM | Hull Road FWB Church |
| • April 8, 2008 | 10:00 AM | First FWB Church of Greenville |
| • July 15, 2008 | 10:00 AM | The Free Will Baptist Press |
| • October 14, 2008 | 10:00 AM | Elm Grove FWB Church |

Inclusions to this report:

- **We wish to remind any church in our Conference, when extending a call to a minister to serve as your pastor, to be sure that the minister gets proper clearance from the Conference Board of Ordination as soon as the agreement is definite.**

Motions from Board of Ordination to the 259th Session of the Central Conference

- The Board of Ordination moves that all Central Conference Ordained Ministers must physically attend at least one Conference meeting every four years to maintain their Conference Credentials.
[Motion was referred back to the Board of Ordination]
- The Board of Ordination moves that all Central Conference Ordained Ministers must maintain their church membership in an Original Free Will Baptist Church.
[Motion Passed]
- The Board of Ordination moves that the educational requirements for ordination be as follows: *[Motion Passed]*

64 Total Semester Hours

30 Semester Hours General College Education

English Composition 6 Hours

- *Composition I: Expository Writing
- *Composition II: Writing About Literature

Literature 3 Hours

- English Literature I, II
- American Literature I, II
- Major Works in World Literature

History 3 Hours

- Western Civilization I, II
- American History I, II

Mathematics 6 Hours

- Business Math
- College Algebra I, II
- Calculus
- Geometry
- Trigonometry

Natural Sciences 6 Hours

- Biology
- Botany
- Chemistry
- Earth Science
- Geology
- Zoology
- Physics

Social Sciences 6 Hours

- Psychology: *Introduction to Psychology
(Other courses in Psychology)
- Sociology: Introduction to Sociology
Marriage and the Family
Social Problems

**Required Courses in General College Education.*

Electives may be chosen from the listing in each category.

34 Semester Hours in Professional College Education for Ministry

Biblical Studies 9 Hours

- *Introduction to the Old Testament
- *Introduction to the New Testament
- *The Life and Teachings of Jesus
Hebrew Prophets
The Life and Letters of Paul
Biblical Interpretation

Historical Studies 6 Hours

- *History of Christianity
- *The Free Will Baptist Church
Religion in America
World Religions

Theological Studies 3 Hours

- *Systematic Theology
- *Christian Beliefs
Christian Ethics
Modern Christian Theology

Practical Studies 6 Hours

- *Sermon Preparation and Delivery
- *Pastoral Ministry
Church Growth and Evangelism
Church Leadership
Introduction to Christian Education
Hymnody

** Required courses in Professional College Education for Ministry. Electives may be chosen from the listing in each category.*

Report of the Memorial Committee

Paul says in II Timothy 4:6-8, "For I am now ready to be offered, and the time of my departure is at hand. I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith: Henceforth there is laid up for me a crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the

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righteous judge, shall give me at that day: and not to me only but unto all them also that love His appearing”.

In our memorial service today, we want to remember those who have faithfully served the Lord through the Central Conference of Original Free Will Baptist, and gone on to enter their eternal reward. We thank God for the lives and influence of these individuals. For any names of deceased members not listed, or misspelled, we regret and apologize.

Churches:

Aspen Grove Church
Gordon Owens

Ayden Church

Bethany Church
Louise Baker

Black Jack
Ledrew Coward
Dora Lee Buck
Donnie Dixon
Elmer Dixon
Lizzie Williams
Doris Hudson

Community Church

Daniels Chapel Church
Ollie Mae Murphy
Goodman Owens, Jr
Daylon Skinner
Ada Barfield Thorne

Dilda's Grove
G. Wooten

Edgewood Church

Elm Grove Church
Jimmy Lewis
Evelyn Parisher
Roger Cannon

First FWB Church, Greenville
Lloyd Stokes

First FWB Church, Rocky Mount

First FWB Church, Tarboro
James Phelps
Myrtle Summerlin

First FWB Church, Williamston
Margorie Stephenson

Free Union Church
Donald Beamon
Dorothy Beamon
Blanche Tugwell
Dinah Beaman
Miriam Edwards

Friendship Church
Faye Sutton
Evelyn Reynolds
Mary Smith

Grimsley Church
Kenneth Dail

Gum Swamp Church
Minnie Block

Harrell's Chapel Church

Hickory Grove Church

Hillside Church

Howell Swamp Church
H. Lee Shackelford
Vernice Gay Jones

Hugo Church
Gaitha Rouse

Hull Road Church
Nan Jones
Helen Hill

King's Cross Roads Church
Jane Tripp
Joan Corbett

La Grange Church

Little Creek Church
Jenny Landon
Kathleen Manning
Bernice Bunn
Hannah Murphey

Marlboro Church
Virginia Skinner

Ormondsville Church

Otter's Creek Church

Owens Chapel
Mike Owen
Lonnie Walston

Peace Church
Ray Dunn
Mike Todd

Piney Grove Church (Beaufort Co)
Rev. Robert Burke

Lighting of the Memorial Candle.

A Moment of Silent Prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

Reverend Charles Russell, Chairman
Mr. Jay Tripp
Mrs. Faye Adams

Piney Grove Church (Pitt County)

Pleasant Hill Church
Walter Lee Haddock
Dan Mayo
Hilton Benton
Sam Mills

Reedy Branch Church
Corlee Harris

Rose Hill Church

Rose of Sharon Church
Marie Harris
Francis Farmer

Saint's Delight Church

Saratoga Church
Marvin Langley

Spring Branch Church
Ruby Craft
A. C. Turner

Sweet Gum Grove Church

Walnut Creek Church

Watery Branch Church

Winterville Church

Report of the Credentials Committee

We, the Credentials Committee, respectfully submit the following attendance totals subsequent to the approval of the conference:

Central Conference Delegates	48
Central Conference Ministers	45
Licensed Ministers	3
Visitors	16
Visiting Ministers	<u>11</u>
Total Registered	123

Respectfully submitted,

Reverends Doug Owens, Frank Cockrell, and Marc Boswell

Report of Conference Treasurer

CENTRAL CONFERENCE

Treasurer's Report

November 10, 2006 to November 8, 2007

Balance From November 2006	\$15,928.28
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Receipts

Church Contributions	\$4,034.00	
Conference Offering	\$329.27	
Interest CD/Checking	\$26.44	
Transferred from Savings	\$0.00	
Endowment Income	\$1,531.6	
Miscellaneous	\$789.17	
Love Offering (Hunter Penland)	\$ 679.17	
Voided Check # 1128	\$100.00	
Minister Membership Dues	\$1,900.00	
Total	<u>\$8,610.49</u>	\$8,610.49
Total Income plus starting balance		\$24,538.77

Disbursements

Centura Bank (Bank Charges)	\$0.00
Board of Ordination	\$0.00
Church Growth Committee	\$1,000.00
Conference Expense	\$543.37
Memorial Committee	\$ 31.59
First FWB Church	\$ 170.73
CDYF lock-in expense	\$ 341.05

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Continuing Education Committee	\$0.00	
Convention of OFWB Support	\$500.00	
Convention of FWB (Year Book)	\$840.00	
Executive Committee Expenses	\$148.00	
Office Supplies	\$170.07	
Stamps \$ 7.80; 78.00 postage FFWBC;		
\$84.27 seminar expense FFWBC		
Conference Secretary	\$50.00	
Conference Treasurer	\$0.00	
Miscellaneous	\$50.00	
2 delegates to Convention	\$3,430.30	
Non-Budgeted items		
Love gift for Hunter Penland \$ 679.17		
Gift to NC Foundation for Christian Ministries \$1200.00		
Conference gift to Hunter Penland \$ 250.00		
Computer for Board of Ordination 1301.13		
Endowment for Ministerial Students	\$2,000.00	
Transfer to Money Market at RBC	\$15,000.00	
Total Disbursements		\$23,731.74
Total in Checking account as of July 16, 2007		\$807.03

Money Market in RBC	\$15,000.00	
Interest 6/30	17.34	
Interest 7/31	53.82	
Interest 8/31	54.02	
Interest 9/28	51.04	
Total		\$15,176.22

<i>Central Conference Endowment Fund</i>	\$60,000.00	
(See minutes from Central Conference 11-09-01, Mission Board & Executive Committee Proposal)		
Interest for 2007		\$60,000.00
Jan, Feb, March interest due \$450.00		
Apr., May, June interest due \$453.38		
July, Aug., Sept. interest due \$456.78		
Total		\$60,000.00

<i>Maury Endowment Fund (For Annual Training Conference)</i>	\$7,500.00	
(Please see Minutes of Executive Committee September 22, 1988)		
Interest for 2007		\$7,500.00
Total		\$7,500.00

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Jan, Feb, March interest due \$56.25
Apr., May, June interest due \$ 56.67
July, Aug., Sept. interest due \$57.10

Total **\$7,500.00**

Central Conference CD

(Opened 02/14/05 - Mature Date 05/14/06) 3.10% \$35,000.00

Interest for 2005 \$912.35

Interest for 2006 \$1,066.31

(Renewed 05/15/06 - Mature Date 06/15/2007) 5.00% APY

Interest for 2006-2007 \$1,374.86

(Renewed 06/15/07 - Mature Date 07/15/08) 5.20% APY

TOTAL **\$38,353.52**

TOTAL OF ALL MONIES **\$121,029.74**

(not including interest from Church Finance)

Report of the Church Growth Committee

During 2006/2007 the Central Conference Church Growth and Evangelism Committee approved the following requests:

Saratoga Original Free Will Baptist Church requested \$500 for an evangelism conference entitled Student Life. The trip exposes youth to evangelism work with senior citizens, children, soup kitchens, etc. The exposure has given youth and even adults the drive needed to come back to the local community and serve others. An outreach team has been put into place at Saratoga to help with work in their community as a result of the experience received from this conference.

Free Union Original Free Will Baptist Church in Walstonburg requested \$500 to assist with a young adult outreach evening. The evening provided food and fellowship, but most importantly a means for assessing the needs of young adults and promoting new programs geared toward younger adults. “

We were able to look at what types of programs will gain the interest of younger families, college age adults, and middle age parents. As a result we have begun solidifying our adult Sunday school and Bible study programs, and are in the process of beginning a college and career program. We are also hoping to begin a Bible study geared toward young men.”

The Rev. Kelley Smart—Chair

The Rev. Johnny Sullivan

The Rev. Todd Sutton

The Rev. Jack Weathersby

Report of the Continuing Education Committee

Continuing Education Units

The purpose of the Central Conference Continuing Education Program is to help our ministers with the practice of life-long learning. By continuing their education Central Conference ordained ministers will continue to grow in their spiritual walk with Christ and as they grow they will be better equipped to serve the churches of the Central Conference. As the leadership of the churches grow the church itself will grow, therefore the growth and continuing education of the ministers is vital to the growth of the church. It is imperative that the ministers of the Central Conference follow the advice given to Timothy by Paul when he said, "Study to show thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth."

Guidelines

Continuing Education Units (henceforth referred to as CEU's) will be based on educational opportunities. These would include reading a book, attending a seminar or class, or taking a college or seminary class. Books that are read must be submitted with the following information: name of book, author, publisher, dates the book was read and a typed 150-word summary and application of the book. Seminars must be submitted with the following information: organization that sponsored the seminar, presenter's name, length of seminar, and a typed 150-word summary and application of the seminar. College or seminary courses must be submitted with the following information: College or seminary where class was taken, professor's name, copy of the syllabus, and typed 150-word summary and application of the class.

Credits

CEU credits will be given according to the following scale:

Books: up to 200 pages ½ CEU; 200-400 pages 1 CEU. Books over 400 pages will be considered on an individual basis.

Seminars: 3-5 hour seminar ½ CEU; 6-10 hour seminar 1 CEU. Seminar over ten hours will be considered on an individual basis.

College or Seminary Class: If the class is taken from an accredited institution (Southern Association of Colleges and Schools or Association of Theological Schools in the United States and Canada) one will receive 4 CEUs for each credit hour. (Credit hour equals one hour per week in class for sixteen weeks; for example if you take a 3 credit hour course you will receive 12 CEUs.) If the course is taken from an institution that is not accredited by SACS or ATS, then it will be considered on an individual basis.

Areas of Study

Biblical Studies: This includes any area of study from the Bible such as books of the Bible, themes, authors, or historical information from the Bible.

Historical Studies: This includes History of the Christian Church, Free Will Baptist Denomination, or Local Churches.

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Theological Studies: This includes areas of studies from the following: Prolegomena, Bibliology, Theology Proper, Christology, Pneumatology, Angelology, Anthropology, Soteriology, Ecclesiology, Eschatology, etc.

Practical Studies: This includes area of studies concerning the working and growth of the local church, pastoral care, counseling, leadership, administration, evangelism, preaching and worship.

Spiritual Formation Studies: This includes area of studies concerning maturity of Christians.

Procedures

To receive credit work must be submitted to the Continuing Education Committee. Proper documentation must be submitted along with the Continuing Education Committee Form. The committee will review all work and the committee will send notification to the one who submitted the work and also the Board of Ordination.

Respectfully submitted,

Reverends Johnny Sullivan, Doug Tyson, and Barry Williamson

Report of the Nominating Committee

Executive Committee: Moderator - The Reverend Phillip Boykin

[To fulfill un-expired term 2008]

Asst. Clerk – The Reverend Mark Hobbs

[To fulfill un-expired term 2008]

Board of Ordination: Doctor Franklin Baggett

[term to expire 2012]

Board of Trustees: Mrs. Barbra Mills

[term to expire 2010]

Credentials Committee: The Reverend Marc Boswell

[term to expire 2010]

Continuing Education Committee: The Reverend Bryant Hines

[term to expire 2010]

Church Growth Committee: The Reverend Jack Weathersby

[term to expire 2010]

Memorial Committee: The Reverend Tony Parrish

[term to expire 2010]

Respectfully submitted,

Doctor Franklin Baggett, Chairman

The Reverend Frank Cockrell; The Reverend Barry Williamson

Report of the Resolution Committee

We, the Resolution Committee, submit the following resolutions for your consideration:

1. Whereas we live in a technological society that has made the availability of information almost instantaneous when compared to the process of sharing reports of denominational work in the past, and whereas denominational ministries are doing an excellent work in communicating with our churches, ministers and people throughout the year. Therefore be it resolved that the Executive Committee study the possibility of restructuring our Constitution in such a manner that the conference meet every other year. Such restructuring will necessitate reworking the terms of certain officers. Be it further resolved that the Executive Committee bring back to the 2008 Conference recommendations concerning the implementation of this proposal. *[Tabled]*
2. Be it resolved we give the host church a rising vote of appreciation for the delicious meal and wonderful hospitality shared with the conference today. *[Passed]*

Respectfully Submitted,
The Reverend Leon Grubbs
The Reverend Gary Bailey
The Reverend Philip Wood

Miscellaneous Business:

A motion was made for Dr. Bobby Taylor's message to the Central Conference to be submitted to appear in the Free Will Baptist. *[Motion Passed]*

A motion was made for \$1200 to be given to the N. C. Foundation for Christian Ministries. *[Motion Passed]*

Friendship Original Free Will Baptist Church, Farmville, N. C. has asked to host the 2008 Central Conference.

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CHURCH	LETTER	DELEGATES	CONTRIBUTION
Aspen Grove			Yes
Ayden	Yes	Yes	
Bethany	Yes	Yes	Yes
Black Jack	Yes	Yes	Yes
Community	Yes		Yes
Daniel's Chapel	Yes		Yes
Dilda's Grove	Yes	Yes	Yes
Edgewood	Yes	Yes	Yes
Elm Grove	Yes	Yes	Yes
Free Union	Yes	Yes	Yes
Friendship	Yes	Yes	Yes
Greenville, First	Yes	Yes	Yes
Grimsely	Yes		Yes
Gum Swamp	Yes	Yes	Yes
Harrell's Chapel	Yes	Yes	Yes
Hickory Grove			
Hillside	Yes		Yes
Howell Swamp	Yes	Yes	Yes
Hugo	Yes		Yes
Hull Road		Yes	Yes
King's Cross Roads		Yes	
La Grange, First	Yes	Yes	Yes
Little Creek	Yes	Yes	Yes
Marlboro	Yes	Yes	Yes
Ormondsville			
Otter's Creek	Yes	Yes	Yes
Owens Chapel	Yes		Yes
Peace	Yes	Yes	Yes
Piney Grove (Beaufort Co.)	Yes	Yes	Yes
Piney Grove (Pitt Co.)	Yes	Yes	Yes
Pleasant Hill		Yes	
Reedy Branch	Yes		Yes
Rocky Mount, First			
Rose Hill		Yes	Yes
Rose of Sharon	Yes	Yes	Yes
Saint's Delight	Yes		Yes
Saratoga	Yes	Yes	
Spring Branch	Yes	Yes	Yes
Sweet Gum Grove			
Tarboro, First	Yes	Yes	Yes
Walnut Creek	Yes		Yes
Watery Branch			
Williamston, First	Yes	Yes	Yes
Winterville	Yes		Yes

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Roll of Central Conference Ministers by Seniority

ORDAINED MINISTERS	Ordained	2005	2006	2007
J.B. Narron	10/13/50	P	P	Retired
Michael Pelt	09/30/50	P	P	Retired P
Willis Wilson	12/28/54	P	P	P
C.H. Overman	08/30/52	P	P	P
Stewart Humphrey	11/10/66	A	L	L
Charles Branch	01/05/69	P	P	P
Bruce Jones	09/05/71	P	P	E
Gary Bailey	07/12/72	P	L	P
Walter Reynolds	07/30/49	P	P	Retired P
Tom Miller	07/02/67	L	P	P
Bobby Taylor	11/02/73	L	P	P
Leon Grubbs	09/05/68	L	P	P
Ronnie Hobgood	08/13/78	P	P	P
Melvin Moore	12/31/59	A	L	L
Earl Glenn	11/02/49	P	Retired	Retired
Harry Grubbs	02/24/67	P	P	P
Frank Flowers	06/02/72	P	P	Retired P
Clifford Ball	08/20/81	P	P	P
Ray Williamson	05/11/77	L	P	P
Mark Hobbs	11/20/80	P	P	P
Ronald Braxton	02/03/83	P	P	L
Donald Ribeiro	10/27/83	P	A	A
Stanley Buck	09/17/76	P	P	P
David Langley	10/05/87	P	P	L
Philip Wood	05/12/79	P	P	P
Norwood Futrell	09/20/51	Retired	Retired	Retired
Thomas Bowen	11/25/90	P	P	P
Harry Jones, Jr.	10/27/91	A	A	A
Larry Letchworth	08/23/92	P	P	P
Carroll Bradbury	08/23/92	P	L	P
Walt Tyndall	08/08/93	P	A	E
Jack Weathersby	02/27/94	P	P	P
Joey Williams	01/15/95	P	L	P
Mark Hogan	09/06/86	A	A	A
Frankie Baggett	10/22/87	P	P	P
Grady Tucker	12/06/78	P	P	P
Brad Williamson	06/28/98	P	P	L
John Robert Harris	08/27/95	A	A	P
Edward Thornton	03/10/81	P	P	P
Tony Glass	03/28/99	P	P	E
Frank Cockrell	11/07/99	P	P	P

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Johnny Sullivan	05/21/00	P	P	L
Kevin Jackson	12/26/82	P	P	P
Barry Williamson	09/17/00	P	P	P
Todd Sutton	02/11/96	P	L	L
John Simpson	04/29/01	P	P	A
Doug Owens	05/06/01	P	P	P
Roger Haithcock	08/26/01	L	P	E
Phillip Boykin	12/07/80	P	P	P
Charlie Carroll	07/10/94	P	P	A
Tony Parrish	11/09/88	P	P	P
Jacky Raper	06/08/88	P	P	P
Alan Joyner	02/08/04	P	P	P
James Owens	11/10/82	P	P	E
Greg Mills	12/28/83	P	P	L
Charles Russell	11/21/04	P	P	P
Kelley Smart	02/27/05	L	L	L
Michael Rowell	05/15/05	A	L	L
Charles Sutton	08/14/05	P	P	P
Doug Tyson	10/16/05	P	P	P
Alvin Keener		A	P	E
Marc Boswell	1/08/06		P	L
Arnold Price	69		P	P
Bobby Jones	74		P	E
David Allen	05/08/03		P	A
Bryant Hines				E
Ronnie Mohn				E
Doug Skinner				E

LICENSED MINISTERS	Licensed	2005	2006	2007
Carlton Oakley	07/28/05		P	L
Douglas Quintas	06/01/06		A	A
Shannon Rodgers	11/09/09		L	L
Matt Stocks	11/11/05		L	A
Brian Perry	07/10/06		P	L
James Wiggins	08/28/06		P	E
Dustin Bannister	11/09/06			L
Spencer Owens	4/24/07			A
Andy Sugg	10/16/07			E
Keith Phillips	10/17/07			P
Chris Alphin				E

A – Absent
E – Excused
L – Letter
P – Present

MINUTES
of the
ONE HUNDRED AND TWELFTH ANNUAL SESSION
of the
EASTERN CONFERENCE
of
ORIGINAL FREE WILL BAPTISTS OF NORTH CAROLINA

Convened at
Cragmont Assembly
Black Mountain, North Carolina
October 25, 2007

Officers, Boards, and Standing Committees
As Elected at the 2007 Session

Officers of the Conference

Moderator: The Reverend Tim Heath
Assistant Moderator: The Reverend John Mark Windley
Clerk: Mr. Ronnie Taylor
Treasurer: Mr. Bill Cook
Member at Large: The Reverend Dr. K. David Hines

Executive Committee

The Reverend Tim Heath (2008)	Mr. Bill Cook (2008)
The Reverend John Mark Windley (2009)	Mr. Ronnie Taylor (2009)
The Reverend Dr. K. David Hines (2008)	

Ministerial Examining Board

The Reverend Buddy Sasser (2008)	The Reverend Francis Garner (2009)
The Reverend Mike Scott (2010)	The Reverend Adrian Grubbs (2011)
The Reverend David C. Hansley (2012)	

Board of Trustees

The Reverend Mike Barnhill (2008)	The Reverend Joe Crumpler (2009)
Mr. Carroll Hawkins (2010)	

Digest Committee

Mr. Victor Jones (2008)	The Reverend Ashley Trogon (2009)
Mrs. Nancy Cook (2010)	

Memorial Committee

The Reverend David Vesper (2008)	The Reverend Walter Sutton (2009)
The Reverend Ronnie Parker (2010)	

Credentials Committee

The Reverend Jesse Crisp (2008) The Reverend Michael Ledbetter (2009)
The Reverend Terry Coates (2010)

Board of Directors of Camp Vandemere

Mr. Damon Kennedy (2008) The Reverend Ashley Summerlin (2008)
Mrs. Faye Bryant (2008) Mr. Reed Kennedy (2009)
Mr. Randy Blalock (2009) The Reverend Owen Arthur (2009)
Ms. Audrey Quinn (2010) Mr. Victor Jones (2010)
Mr. Kenneth Hill (2010) The Reverend J. R. Clark (2011)
Mr. Ricky Price (2011) . Ms. Lorraine Garner (2011)
Ms. Angie Toler (2012) Ms. Janet Jones (2012)
The Reverend Tim Lawrence (2012)

Representative to the Free Will Baptist Press Foundation

Mr. Roy Wetherington (2009)

Morning Session

The Reverend David C. Hansley opened the session with a welcome and made a few comments.

Mrs. Mary Dudley led the congregation in the singing of the hymn, "How Great Thou Art."

After special prayer requests, The Reverend David C. Hansley led in prayer.

The welcome was offered by the Reverend John Williams, manager, Cragmont Assembly.

A response was offered by the Reverend David Smith.

The 112th Annual Session of the Eastern Conference of Original Free Will Baptists was called to order by the Conference clerk.

The clerk recognized Visitors, Union Moderators, and Licensed Ministers.

The Moderator appointed and recognized persons to serve on the Resolutions Committee, Memorial Committee, Credentials Committee, as Ushers, and as Parliamentarians.

The Moderator presented the Conference Address. Scripture from Acts 10:1-4 was used to address the topic, "A Meanwhile God."

By motion to adopt the report of the Credentials Committee. (see reports)

By motion to adopt the report of the Treasurer. (see reports)

By motion to adopt the report of the Executive Committee. (see reports)

By motion to adopt the report of the Ministerial Examining Board, (see reports)

The Reverends J.R. Clark, Terry Coates, and Tim Lawrence were extended the right hand of fellowship and welcomed into the Eastern Conference.

The Memorial Committee conducted a service remembering The Reverend Rod Jones, The Reverend Robert Burke and The Reverend Eldon Brock and also Mrs. Faye Sutton. The Reverend Graham Lane made opening comments and The Reverend Gary Winberry read from 1 Corinthians 15:50. Mr. Mitchell Parker led in prayer.

By motion to adopt the report of the Memorial Committee.

By motion to accept the report of the Nominating Committee. (see reports)
The floor was open for other nominations.

By motion for nominations to cease and to elect the nominees by acclamation.

By motion to adopt the report of the Digest Committee. (see reports)

By motion, to receive the report of the Laymen's League as information.

Report from the Woman's Auxiliary was received as information.

By motion, to receive the report of Camp Vandemere. (see reports)

The Reverend Buddy Sasser, Director of Convention Services, was recognized and he called the representatives from the Denominational Ministries to give their reports. The Ministries reporting were: Mount Olive College, Minister's Program, Free Will Baptist Press, and Sunday School Ministry. The other Ministries were to report in the afternoon session due to time constraints. These reports were received as information.

The Morning Worship service opened with Mrs. Gail Heath as pianist and Mrs. Mary Dudley as song leader, leading the congregation in singing "What A Friend We Have In Jesus", and an offering being taken for Cragmont Assembly. The Reverends Michael Lewis and Kevin Stott served as ushers and the Reverend Lewis asked God's Blessings on the offering. The Reverend Stephen Prescott and wife Lynn sang "It is Well With My Soul" and "Sheltered In The Arms Of God" was sung by the Reverend Buddy Sasser by special request.

The Reverend Charles L. Renfrow, Convention President, delivered a wonderful message from Deuteronomy 28:15 talking about Revival or Judgment and how we as Christians need never forget to repent.

A closing/invitation hymn, "The Blood Will Never Lose Its Power," was sung and the dismissal prayer for the morning session and the blessing of the meal was led by the Reverend Tim Heath.

Afternoon Session

The Afternoon Session opened with Mrs. Mary Dudley leading the congregation in singing, "Majesty".

The Reverend Neal Cox read from Psalm 133:1 and led in prayer.

The Cragmont Assembly report was given by The Reverend John Williams. It was received as information.

The Reverend Tim Heath challenged all to go back to their churches and seek to have them meet the challenge that was presented last year for Cragmont.

Mr. Roy Wetherington reported on the work of Harvest Connection Disaster Relief Ministry. The report was received as information.

Dr. W. Burkette Raper gave a report on the North Carolina Foundation for Christian Ministries. The report was received as information.

Report of the Resolution Committee:

Resolution number one: Whereas Mount Olive College was birthed by the OFWB Denomination, and has been a substantial ministry in providing leadership for our denomination, and whereas we need not only to support but to give our full allegiance to this proven Christian College; In order that Doctrine, Practice, and Polity of OFWB be preserved; We therefore recommend that the Eastern

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January 16, 2007. The Executive Committee met to discuss problems with two churches and to discuss a motion and a resolution passed at the Annual Conference in October.

Consideration of the Resolution passed at the Annual Conference to fund the North Carolina Foundation for Christian Ministries took place with no action being taken at this time.

A committee was appointed to determine the courses needed and to plan for the presentation of these courses to implement the motion passed at the Annual Conference in October 2006. The members of this committee are: The Reverends Buddy Sasser and Dr. David Hines from the Ministerial Examining Board and the Reverends David C. Hansley and John Windley from the Executive Committee.

By proper motion the minutes of the 111th Seating of the Eastern Conference were adopted.

By proper motion to adjourn.

Members Present: The Reverends Tim Heath, John Windley, and David Hansley, and Mr. Bill Cook and Mr. Ronnie Taylor

May 15, 2007: The Executive Committee met in joint session with the Ministerial Examining Board at the headquarters in Kinston.

A discussion was held with members of one of the Eastern Conference Churches about problems within the church. Recommendations were made.

By proper motion to adjourn.

Member Present: The Reverends Tim Heath, David Hansley, and John Windley, and Mr. Bill Cook and Mr. Ronnie Taylor from the Executive Committee and The

Reverends Buddy Sasser, Adrian Grubbs, and Mike Scott from the Ministerial Examining Board.

August 7, 2007: The Executive Committee met in session at the Headquarters in Kinston, NC.

By proper motion the minutes of the previous meeting were adopted.

The main purpose of this meeting was to finalize some of the plans for the upcoming Annual Conference.

The Nominating Committee was named for the Annual Conference. They are: The Reverend Francis Garner, Chairman, The Reverend David Smith, and Mrs. Mary Dudley.

The Executive Committee of Camp Vandemere met with the Eastern Conference Executive Committee to discuss problems that were occurring at the camp. It was decided that the Executive Committee of the Eastern Conference would invite the Reverend Wesley Taylor to meet with them to discuss perceived problems from the camp level. This meeting was set for August 14, 2007 at Gethsemane Original Free Will Baptist Church.

With this business being completed, the Vandemere committee was dismissed.

The clerk passed out draft copies of the letters to be sent to ministers and church clerks about the Annual Conference for correction and approval.

As the hour was getting late, it was decided to delay any further business until the next meeting on August 14, 2007 at Gethsemane.

The treasurer reported the fund balance at the present time is \$8,055.17.

By proper motion the meeting was adjourned.

Members Present: The Reverends Tim Heath, David Hansley, John Windley, and Mr. Bill Cook, and Mr. Ronnie Taylor

August 14, 2007. The Executive Committee met in session at Gethsemane Original Free Will Baptist Church, New Bern, NC.

The Reverend Wesley Taylor met with the board to discuss problems at Camp Vandemere. Several suggestions were given to Brother Taylor and he agreed to meet with the board again as needed.

By proper motion the minutes of the previous meeting were adopted.

By proper motion the meeting was adjourned.

Members Present: The Reverends Tim Heath, David Hansley, John Windley, and Mr. Bill Cook, and Mr. Ronnie Taylor

October 4, 2007: The Executive Committee met at the Eastern Conference Headquarters in Kinston, NC.

The Executive Committee of Camp Vandemere was invited to attend and hear the recommendations that the Eastern Conference Executive Committee was making to help abate the problems at Camp Vandemere. They were very receptive and said that some changes had already been made and improvements were already taking place.

The clerk gave a report on the number of people that had registered to stay at Cragmont during the Annual Conference and the number who needed transportation. Received as information.

By proper motion the minutes of the previous meeting were adopted.

By proper motion to adjourn.

Members Present: The Reverends Tim Heath, David Hansley, and John Windley, and Mr. Bill Cook, and Mr. Ronnie Taylor

Respectfully Submitted,
The Reverend Tim Heath, Moderator
Mr. Ronnie Taylor, Clerk
The Reverend James Gurganus

The Reverend David Hansley
Mr. Bill Cook

Report of the Ministerial Examining Board

The Eastern Conference Examining Board met six (6) times since the last annual session of the Conference. We submit the following report:

MINISTERS ORDAINED

J. R. Clark
Tim Lawrence
Terry Coates

Croatan OFWB Church
Welcome Home OFWB Church
May's Chapel OFWB Church

APPROVED FOR LICENSE

Nick Lewis
Angela Mattox
Ronnie Taylor
Josh Whitfield

Antioch OFWB Church
St. Mary's OFWB Church
Whaley's Chapel OFWB Church
Rooty Branch OFWB Church

LICENSES RENEWED

Leslie Mitchell Parker
John Carawan
Bob Smith
Duane Haddock
Ray Lewis

Folkstone OFWB Church
Dublin Grove OFWB Church
British Chapel OFWB Church
Jackson Height's OFWB Church
Antioch OFWB Church

TRANSFERRING FROM THE EASTERN CONFERENCE

Wayne Hargrove
Terry Ellis

to Western Conference
to Western Conference

CERTIFICATE OF ENDORSEMENT RENEWAL

Jay Winberry

By motion, beginning January 16, 2007, all licensed ministers must have completed two years of preparation as a licensed minister and one-half of the educational requirements before being considered for the student minister program in the Eastern Conference.

Recommendations to the Conference:

1. That the Reverends J. R. Clark, Tim Lawrence, and Terry Coates be extended the Right Hand of Fellowship by the Moderator and their name added to the list of duly ordained ministers of the Eastern Conference.
2. That the newly licensed ministers, Nick Lewis, Angela Mattox, Ronnie Taylor and Josh Whitfield be added to the list of licensed ministers by the Conference Clerk.
3. That our ministers, licensed and ordained, continue to abide by our Ministerial Code of Ethics.
4. That our churches abide by the "Articles of Faith and Principles of Church Government for Original Free Will Baptists" (of the English General Baptist Heritage) in regards to calling of duly ordained Original Free Will Baptist ministers who are approved by the Eastern Conference.
5. That this report be properly received and its recommendations duly adopted.

Respectfully submitted,
Adrian Grubbs, Chair
Buddy Sasser, Secretary
David Hines

Francis Garner
Mike Scott

FOR GENERAL INFORMATION

Churches are reminded that they are to call ministers from the list of ordained OFWB ministers. Those ministers who are members of sister conferences must be cleared by the Eastern Conference Examining Board **before** being extended a call by the local congregation.

Eastern Conference ministers are reminded that they are **required** to properly register and attend the annual sessions of the Eastern Conference and the Convention of Original Free Will Baptists. Letters requesting excusal must contain the Conference registration fee (waived for retired ministers). Ministers who fail to attend two consecutive years without reasonable excuse are subject to censure and/or the revocation of their ministerial credentials.

We remind our churches that licensed ministers are not to hold offices in the Church or Sunday School of which they are a member so that they may have opportunity to preach and visit other churches. Licensed ministers may do short-term supply work in a church, **limited to ninety days**. They are encouraged to work as student ministers with experienced ministers to learn the work of the ministry. They may not officiate at weddings or administer the Ordinances of the Gospel. They may preach as they have opportunity, and they may officiate funerals. The license period is a one-year term, with a five-year limit to complete the requirements for ordination. If at any time the licensed minister allows his license to lapse, the entire process must be restarted beginning with the recommendation of the local church to the Ministerial Examining Board.

The location and date for the 2007 Eastern Conference Basic Education Seminar will be announced when confirmed. While required for licensed ministers, others may choose to attend for fellowship, inspiration, and continuing education. Advanced seminars are available upon request by a sufficient number of registrants. For more information contact Adrian Grubbs.

The Examining Board reminds all ministers licensed after October 19, 2001 of the requirement to attend annually at least one continuing education workshop/seminar (such as those provided by the Sunday School Board) each year they are licensed.

The Ministerial Examining Board meets at the Conference Office in Kinston on the Monday following the second Sunday in the months of November, January, March, July, and September. These dates are subject to change. Individuals with business to be brought to the Board are requested to contact the secretary so that a time may be scheduled.

LICENSED MINISTERS OF THE EASTERN CONFERENCE as of October 19, 2007

Carawan, John, 27809 Hwy 33 E., Aurora, NC 27806;
Haddock, Duane, 301 Madison Ann Drive, LaGrange, NC 28551; 252-566-6560
Lewis, Ray, 73 Lupton Lane, New Bern, NC 28560;
Parker, Mitchell, 594 Turkey Point Rd., Sneads Ferry, NC 28460; 910-327-0298
Smith, Bob, 1909 Greenbriar Road, Kinston, NC 28501; 252-522-5229
Lewis, Nick, 73 Lupton Lane, New Bern, NC 28560; 252-745-4857
Mattox, Angela, 4711 Edgewood Dr., New Bern, NC; 252-637-5918

Taylor, Ronnie, 2378 Kinston Hwy, Richlands, NC 28574; 910-324-4663
Whitfield, Josh, 1809 Indians Springs Rd, Mount Olive, NC 28365; 919-658-5227

Report of the Credentials Committee

Ordained Ministers in attendance.....	38
Licensed Ministers in attendance.....	5
Visiting Ministers in Attendance.....	3
Delegates in attendance.....	33
Visitors in attendance.....	<u>27</u>
Total Attendance.....	106

Respectfully Submitted,
The Reverend Owen Arthur, Chairperson
The Reverend Tim Lawrence

Report of the Digest Committee

Number of Churches in Conference.....	74
Number Reporting.....	43
Contributions to the Conference.....	\$3,014.00

Church Members	
Active	3200
Inactive	2176
Total	5376

Members Received	
By Baptism	76
By Letter	52
Other	9

Members Lost	
By Death	66
By Letter	23
Other	2
Net Change	+46

Sunday School Members	2278
Woman's Auxiliary Members	545
Layman's League.....	181
Youth Membership	291

Respectfully Submitted,
Mrs. Nancy Cook, Chairperson
Mr. Victor Jones
The Reverend Ashley Trogdon

Eastern Conference Treasurer's Report **July 1, 2006 – June 30, 2007**

Receipts

Eastern Conference Offering Received and Registration Fees.....	\$ 6772.00
Offering received J. R. Clark Ordination.....	\$ 470.00
Interest received from Wilmington Endowment and Eastern Conference Endowment.....	\$ 2,577.78
Total of Receipts.....	\$ 10,488.45
Balance as of July 1, 2006.....	\$ 17,235.01
Total to account for.....	\$ 27,723.46

Disbursements

Administrative Expenses – Executive and Examining Board.....	\$ 2,088.01
Rent to Harvest Connection – (Minutes of 110 th Annual Session.....	\$ 9,000.00
of the Eastern Conference October 20, 2005 – An agreement will be made with HME/HC for a prorated amount per month for the rent until the nine thousand dollars (\$9,000.00) is repaid.)	
Interest from Eastern Conference Endowment and Wilmington.....	\$ 4,304.48
Endowment for 2006/2007 divided with Denominational Ministries	
Donation to Camp Vandemere Project.....	\$ 2,500.00
Donation to Sunday School Ministry for California	\$ 1,000.00
Vacation Bible School	
Total of Disbursement.....	\$ 18,892.39
Balance as of June 30, 2007.....	\$ 8,831.07
Total.....	\$ 27,723.46

CD and Endowment Funds Activity Report as of June 30, 2007

CD.....	\$ 19,747.28
Wilmington Endowment.....	\$127,394.06
Eastern Conference.....	\$ 21,147.96

Respectfully Submitted,
Mr. Bill Cook, Treasurer

Report of the Nominating Committee

Executive Committee: ...The Reverend John Windley, Assistant Moderator (2009)
Mr. Ronnie Taylor, Clerk (2009)
The Reverend Dr. K. David Hines, Member at Large (2008)

Ministerial Examining Board:.....The Reverend David Hansley (2012)

Board of Trustees:.....Mr. Carroll Hawkins (2010)

for a better playing area, while the camp fire area has seen new seating and fire pit installed enabling groups to hold devotions and singing sessions while looking out over the Bay River, day or night. A new lighthouse was placed at the point this year as a symbol of our signature verse, "O send out thy light and thy truth". Many thanks go out to groups and individuals for the labor and financial support given toward these improvements to the camp's facilities. New dining hall chairs were purchased with donations this year also. With the additional chairs, the dining hall can now seat 160 people for a meal/meeting at anytime.

This year the camp hosted eight weeks of Summer Youth Camp and one Woman's Auxiliary Week. Over 500 youth and ladies attended this year under the direction of many dedicated directors and counselors. God worked in many campers' lives for the first time while others rededicated their life to Him. As always, Camp Vandemere's goal is to provide a spiritual retreat for campers young and old. The board and camp manager would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone involved for carrying out camp weeks and weekend retreats. Without each of you, Camp Vandemere's ministry would not be successful in spreading God's Word.

This year's Fall Singing by the River event was held on Friday night and Saturday, October 19th and 20th. The Wehry Family, Juniper Five, A Peculiar People, Willing Heart, Second Edition and Four in Christ brought uplifting messages in song during the day's worship services. The camp saw over 200 individuals come down during this event to enjoy the services, food and serenity of the camp by the river. This annual fund raiser for the camp realized approximately \$13,000.00 to help in the general operations during the coming year.

The End Is In Sight

The Board of Directors continues to fulfill the commitment made two years ago to retire the debt incurred. At present, the camp has been able to reduce the principal owed to approximately \$19,000 with donations and scheduled budget payments. Any monies that you would like to contribute to this effort would be greatly appreciated. Please earmark your offering to *debt retirement*.

Upcoming Event November 2 and 3, 2007 Annual Fishing Tournament

Please invite the Camp Manager or a Board Member to your church or meeting for a presentation.

Thank you for your continued support of Camp Vandemere through prayer and financial means. Without you, camp cannot accomplish its mission of bringing youth to Christ.

Respectfully submitted,
The Reverend Wesley Taylor, Camp Vandemere Manager
Damon Kennedy, Camp Treasurer

Camp Vandemere Financial Statement
October 1, 2006 – September 30, 2007

Beginning Balance On Hand 10/01/2006..... **\$32,600.00**

Income Received:

Albemarle District.....	300.00
Cape Fear District.....	550.00
Central District.....	6,802.00
Designated – Split Rail Fence.....	231.37
Eastern District.....	27,869.12
Designated – Debt Retirement.....	150.00
Designated – Dining Hall Chairs.....	420.00
Designated – Road Relocation/Sports Court...	7,819.71
Pee Dee District.....	0.00
Piedmont District.....	0.00
Western District.....	1,887.00
Individual Contributions.....	14,471.75
Designated – Dining Hall Chairs.....	575.80
Designated – Pool Shelter.....	800.00
Designated – Replace Lighthouse.....	642.00
Designated – Road Relocation/Sports Court...	1,948.11
Designated – Rocking Chairs.....	759.53
Designated – Split Rail Fence.....	450.00
Designated – Stepping Stones.....	323.00
Layman's League.....	907.44
Lighthouse Club.....	3,453.00
Woman's Auxiliary.....	765.37
Designated – Chapel.....	1,658.00
Designated – Road Relocation/Sports Court...	1,634.20
Designated – Rocking Chairs.....	120.00
Other Groups.....	986.55
Special Events:	
Fall Singing By The River.....	19,324.50
Fishing Tournament.....	1,368.00
Golf Tournament.....	3,195.00

Camp Fees:

Dorms.....	8,923.34
Summer Camps.....	40,508.50
RV – Water & Electricity.....	5,528.00
RV – Full Hook up.....	8,259.50
Tent Sites.....	160.00
Use of Chapel.....	25.00
Use of Ground.....	555.00
Use of Kitchen & Dining Hall.....	1,400.00

Use of Pool.....	270.00
Lodges.....	10,439.00
Meals.....	8,219.00

Sales:

T-Shirts, Hats, Visors, Etc.....	3,888.20
Concessions.....	1,879.36
Promotional Items.....	2,138.00

Transferred from Savings.....326.26

Total Income Received.....**\$215,011.71**

Ending Balance before Expenses.....**\$228,473.95**

Budgeted Expense:

Payroll Expense:

Manager's Accountable Plan:

Wage & Compensation:

Salary.....	22,137.00
Medical Insurance.....	2,100.00

Camp Manager Payroll Tax Liability:

FICA Taxes – 6.2%.....	1,372.54
Medicare Taxes – 1.45%.....	320.99

Reimbursable Expenses:

Educational Reimbursement.....	687.50
Business Mileage Reimbursement.....	2,715.83
Travel Expense – Lodging.....	59.40
Travel Expense – Meals.....	72.82

Taxes Paid:

Sales Tax.....	40.29
Worker's Compensation.....	1,011.00

Donations:

Singing By The River Groups.....	400.00
Volunteer Fire Department.....	250.00

Denominational Ministry Support:

Retirement Homes Ministry – Jan.....	125.00
Sunday School Ministry – Feb.....	125.00
Foreign Missions – March.....	125.00
Home Missions and Evangelism – April.....	125.00
Children's Home – May.....	125.00
Cragmont Assembly – June.....	125.00
Children's Home – July.....	125.00
Convention of OFWB – August.....	125.00
Disaster Relief/Harvest Connection – Sept.....	125.00
Minister's Program – October.....	125.00

Donations – Other.....125.00

Insurance – Property and Buildings.....16,622.59

Loans:

Principal Payment #CF-1063-1-RC.....8,270.64

Interest on Loan #CF-1063-1-RC.....	1,096.80
Professional Fees:	
Accounting Fees (Page & Smith).....	1,463.67
Legal Fees (Bonding).....	0.00
Administrative Expense:	
Bank Charges.....	86.09
Fax & Internet Service.....	1,223.44
Office Supplies.....	1,596.43
Postage.....	678.70
Advertising.....	1,034.89
Contract Labor.....	12,941.38
License.....	50.00
Maintenance & Repair:	
Bath House.....	719.03
Campsites.....	(1.95)
Canteen/Linen Building.....	209.10
Dorms.....	769.62
Grounds.....	4,044.81
Kitchen & Dining Hall.....	896.87
Lodges.....	1,251.57
Manager Residence.....	115.01
Chapel.....	0.00
Pier Area.....	452.04
Pool Area.....	2,679.09
Storage Building.....	14.45
Supplies.....	126.42
Tractor, Mower & Lawn Equipment.....	1,222.15
Miscellaneous.....	47.34
Linen & Cleaning Service.....	6,871.27
Office Equipment.....	0.00
Office Equipment Repair.....	0.00
Singing By The River Expense.....	2,090.12
Golf Tournament Expense.....	871.48
Fishing Tournament Expense.....	166.84
Supplies:	
Groceries.....	19,370.76
Janitorial & Paper Products.....	3,643.19
Kitchen Equipment & Supplies.....	1,939.19
Concessions.....	876.38
Promotional Items:	
T-shirts, Hats, Visors, etc.....	4,600.09
Ad Books for Singing By The River.....	0.00
Telephone.....	2,271.12
Utilities:	
Camp Sites & Bath House.....	3,487.73
Kitchen & Dorms.....	7,824.93

Lodges.....	1,316.41	
Mobile Home.....	2,438.98	
Vapor/Outside Lights & Chapel.....	4,148.35	
Propane.....	1,389.97	
Water/Sewer.....	3,909.08	
Waste Control.....	2,945.47	
Non-budgeted Expenses:		
Designated Funds Expense:		
Chapel.....	2,927.12	
Concrete.....	146.52	
Dining Hall Chairs.....	1,045.80	
Pool Shelter.....	771.83	
Replace Lighthouse.....	1,228.57	
Road Relocation/Sports Court.....	26,578.02	
Rocking Chairs.....	879.53	
Split Rail Fence.....	610.03	
Stepping Stones.....	348.54	
Total Expenses.....		\$194,700.37
Ending Balance on Hand – 09/30/2007.....		\$33,773.58
Cash on Hand.....	\$31,760.75	
Designated Funds:		
Building Fund.....	856.00	
Chapel Fund.....	0.00	
Cookbook Sales.....	0.00	
Debt Retirement.....	0.00	
Dining Hall Chairs.....	0.00	
Gutter System – Dining & Dorms.....	350.00	
Pool Shelter.....	28.17	
Replace Lighthouse.....	100.32	
Road Relocation/Sports Court.....	500.52	
Split Rail Fence.....	71.34	
Stepping Stones.....	0.00	
Total.....		\$33,773.58
Funds at Church Finance:		
Disaster Fund (3.00% Interest).....	10,367.35	
Sumner Endowment (3.00% Interest).....	7,272.99	
Total.....		\$17,640.34
Balance of Principle on Loans:		
#CF-1063-1-RD (4.50% Interest).....		\$19,202.41

2008 BUDGET

January through December

ACCOUNT DESCRIPTION	...AMOUNT BUDGETED
Manager's Accountable Plan	\$ 32,100.00

Payroll Taxes.	3,910.00
Donations to Ministries and Miscellaneous	3,000.00
Insurance – Multi-peril	14,000.00
Loan Principal and Interest Exp-#CF-1063	\$ 10,800.00
Accounting Fees (Page and Smith)	1,500.00
Administrative Expenses	5,000.00
Advertising	1,000.00
Contract Labor	18,000.00
Dues (Christian Camping Association	800.00
License	100.00
Maintenance & Repair	16,950.00
Linen & Cleaning Service	7,500.00
Office Equipment & Repair	750.00
Supplies, Groceries, Janitorial, etc.	32,500.00
Telephone	2,250.00
Utilities	28,200.00
Waste Control	3,500.00
TOTAL EXPENSE BUDGET	\$181,860.00

Roll of Eastern Conference Ministers (Listed Alphabetically)

Ordained Minister	Ordination Date
Albertson, Dale	1977
Ard, Joe	10/23/86
Arthur, Owen	04/30/63
Barnhill, Mike	06/02/02
Bennett, McDonal	
Bryan, A.B	10/20/45
Bryan, Harry	1978
Bryan, Michael	07/98
Bulla, Tommy	01/21/01
Cannon, Joel	10/19/89
Chandler, Bobby	10/22/92
Chase, Gurney	
Clark, James R.	
Coates, Terry	
Coombs, Michael	02/13/05
Conner, Ray	10/20/86
Cox, Neal	10/21/99
Crisp, Jesse	07/24/05
Crumpler, Joe	04/02/77
Daughtry, Jeff	10/23/86
Dilley, Sherman	08/06/89
Drake, Ronnie	10/15/01
Ellis, J.B	
English, Jerry	1965
Fader, Donald	08/78

Ordained Minister	Ordination Date
Forsythe, Lewis	10/20/94
Fussell, Bob	10/18/77
Futch, Bill	11/62
Garner, Francis	11/12/63
Gaskins, Hillary	02/16/72
Grubbs, H. Adrian	04/63
Gurganus, James	05/27/80
Hansley, David	05/02/61
Hardison, Charles	1976
Hargrove, Steve	03/78
Heath, Timothy	11/11/85
Hill, Andrew	10/13/60
Hines, K. David	06/07/79
Hoult, Thomas	03/12/95
Houston, Foy	04/30/95
Jones, Ernest	10/21/99
Lane, A. Graham	07/29/53
Lawrence, Tim	
Ledbetter, W. Michael	1977
Nethercutt, Gregory	08/04/02
Parker, Ronnie	11/12/63
Peele, Owen	10/24/91
Prescott, Stephen	10/24/96
Randall, Doug	10/92
Richardson, Charles	
Roberts, Richard	03/11/81
Rouse, Bryce	02/08/68
Sadler, Earl	01/05
Sasser, Buddy	06/13/71
Scott, Mike	10/17/79
Simmons, Craig	04/28/79
Simpson, Grady	11/85
Singleton, Chris	01/70
Smith, A.G	07/70
Smith, David	02/02/03
Sowers, James	11/04/81
Stancil, Greg	10/26/97
Stott, Kevin	10/12/92
Stroud, William	05/26/86
Summerlin, Ashley	04/91
Sumner, Eugene	1963
Sutton, Walter	07/59
Taylor, O.B.	10/23/57
Taylor, Wesley	
Terry, T.O.	05/31/48

Ordained Minister**Ordination Date**

Thigpen, R. Earl	10/19/95
Trogdon, Ashley	09/11/06
Vesper, David	08/31/83
Warning, Michael	11/01
Warren, James	
Watson, Gary	1972
Watson, Wayne	05/03/70
Webber, Timothy	01/24/82
Webster, Jimmy	09/08/64
Whitfield, Mickey	06/12/77
Winberry, Jay	
Willis, W.H.	10/48
Windley, John Mark	11/20/92
Yates, Robert	10/81
Yopp, Tommy	10/21/99

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Ray Lewis
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Angela Mattox
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**MINUTES of the 138th ANNUAL SESSION
of the
PEE DEE ASSOCIATION
of
ORIGINAL FREE WILL BAPTISTS
in session at
Mt. Olive Original Free Will Baptist Church
Columbus County, North Carolina**

October 20, 2007

The next session will be held at Mt. Calvary Original Free Will Baptist Church (Columbus County) on the Saturday before the third Sunday in October 2008 (October 18, 2008) beginning at 9:00 a.m.

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Jamey Ward

PROCEEDINGS

The One Hundred Thirty-eighth Annual Session of the Pee Dee Association of Original Free Will Baptists of North Carolina convened at Mt. Olive Original Free Will Baptist Church in Columbus County, NC October 20, 2007.

The session opened as the congregation sang "He Set Me Free." Moderator Rev. Dean Cartrette called the meeting to order and gave the devotional services, taking his text from Jeremiah 33: 11-14. Rev. Dallas Byrd led the congregation in altar prayer.

Rev. Brooks Sykes, pastor of Mt. Olive Original Free Will Baptist Church, gave the welcome address with response by Rev. Buster Benton.

The moderator welcomed everyone and invited visitors to enjoy the association activities but reminded them that they could not take part in any business. Afterwards, the moderator announced the house in order for business.

The roll of churches was called, and all churches were represented by letter and delegates except Little Bethel who was represented by letter only.

Pee Dee Association

The roll of ministers was called, and Revs. Wadus Earl Clewis, Charles V. Cribb, Clyde Reaves, Robert Sellers, Jerry Simmons, and Timmy Soles were absent. Petitions for excuse were given for Revs. Robert Sellers and Timmy Soles. Rev. George Benton made a motion to grant their requests. The motion was seconded by Rev. James Howard Nobles; motion carried.

The moderator appointed the following committees:

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION: Ricky Fowler, GC Bryan, & Ken Nealey

OBITUARY: Shelby Causey, Irvin Brown, & Lyn Ward

RESOLUTION: Rev. George Benton, Bobby Cribb, & Jimmy McPherson

Representatives from denominational enterprises gave brief reports on the efforts of their particular ministries. Rev. Charles Renfrow, President of the Convention, addressed the association bringing greetings on behalf of the convention and then introduced the following persons who reported on behalf of their ministry: Mary Dudley (Sunday School Board), Rev. Bryant Hines (Cragmont), Hope McPherson (Mount Olive College), and Frank Flowers (Free Will Baptist Press). Mary Dudley shared information regarding the summer vacation Bible school which occurred among the Laos congregation in California and of which Moderator Dean Cartrette participated. Rev. Bobby Carden moved to accept the reports as information; motion was seconded and passed.

The congregation sang a hymn and collected an offering for the Children's Home.

Following a brief morning recess, the moderator called the house back to order.

Church letters were called for and read by the clerk.

The moderator called for the clerk to read the reports of the committees.

REPORTS

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

We, your committee, recommend that all our churches, homes, and schools use the King James Version of the Bible and that all literature distributed in our churches be of the King James Version only. We also encourage our ministers to further their education at Mount Olive College and be active in supporting the college and its ministries. We also request that more material referring only to the King James Version be made available to local churches and that the material be free of references to other biblical versions.

Respectfully submitted,
GC Bryan
Ricky Fowler
Kenneth Nealey

Report was received, and the committee was dismissed by motion of Rev. James Howard Nobles.

RESOLUTION

We, the resolution committee present the following resolution for the Association's approval:

Pee Dee Association

Be it resolved that the churches of the Pee Dee Association shall use the King James Version of the Bible for instruction, preaching, and presentation; and

Be it resolved that the Pee Dee Association shall not authorize the ordination of women as preachers.

Respectfully submitted,
Rev. George Benton
Jimmy McPherson
Bobby K. Cribb

Report was received, the recommendation accepted, and the committee dismissed by motion of Bro. GC Bryan.

OBITUARY

We, your committee, regret to report that to the best of our knowledge, we had 33 deaths during this past year.

We ask the congregation to stand and pause in silent prayer in memory of these brothers and sisters in Christ.

Respectfully submitted,
Lyn Ward
Shelby Causey
Irvin Brown

Report was received, and the committee was dismissed by motion of Rev. George Benton.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Beginning balance (October 14, 2006)	1000.14
Deposit from association	1501.50
Total (October 17, 2005)	\$2501.64

Checks for the past year	
# 412 Rev. Garland Suggs	100.55
# 413 Dr. Danny McPherson	50.00
# 414 Rev. Dean Cartrette	50.00
# 415 Mount Olive College	500.00
# 416 Children's Home	170.00
# 417 Ronny Settle	50.00
# 418 Convention of Original Free Will Baptists	<u>245.00</u>

Total checks written during 2006-07	\$1165.55
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Balance (October 20, 2007)	\$1336.09
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Respectfully submitted,
Ron Settle, Treasurer

Treasurer's report was accepted by motion of Rev. William J. Godwin.

ORDAINING COUNCIL

The council met on October 2, 2006, to re-license Rev. Jerry Simmons (Rev. Simmons license had lapsed, and he had requested more time to complete his test). Since Rev. Simmons is no longer faithfully supporting his church, Cypress Creek Original Free Will Baptist Church did not send a letter to the Ordaining Council recommending him for ordination. Rev. Simmons license lapsed October 1, 2007.

The Council met on October 18, 2007, after receiving a letter from Mt. Beulah Original Free Will Baptist Church asking the Council to examine Bro. Jamey Ward for a minister's license. The Council questioned Bro. Ward concerning church doctrine and biblical truths and found him to be sound in faith and doctrine. The Council approved Bro. Jamey Ward a licensed minister for one year.

Respectfully submitted,
Rev. Hollon Norris,
Chairman
Rev. Dallas Byrd, Secretary

Rev. Dallas Byrd moved to accept the report. The motion carried.

Rev. Hollon Norris moved that the Association extend the right hand of fellowship to Rev. Jamey Ward. Motion carried. At the same time, the hand of membership was extended to Rev. Don Squires who was absent when his acceptance in the Association was approved.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

The Executive Committee (by consensus) selected Rev. Hollon Norris to preach the Association message.

Respectfully submitted,
Rev. Dean Cartrette, Moderator
Rev. Bobby Carden, Assistant Moderator
Ron Settle, Treasurer
Rev. Larry Greenwood, Member at large
Dr. Danny McPherson, Clerk

Report was received by motion of Rev. William J. Godwin.

Rev. James Howard Nobles moved (seconded by Rev. Godwin) that because the minutes had been and are available in the *Yearbook* to omit the reading of the 2006 minutes. Motion carried.

OLD or UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

Rev. James Howard Nobles moved to select a home for the association meeting in 2008. Motion carried. Rev. Gary Bryan invited the Association to meet at Mt. Calvary Original Free Will Baptist Church for the 2008 association meeting scheduled for October 18, 2008. Rev. William J. Godwin moved that the invitation be accepted, and it carried.

Rev. James Howard Nobles moved to pay the officers the same as usual. The motion passed.

Rev. Hollon Norris moved that the Pee Dee Association become a Mount Olive Bridge Builder by donating \$600 to the Pee Dee Association Bridge Builder Campaign and to make the donation in memory of Rev. Garland Suggs, a devoted supporter of Mount Olive College and the Bridge Builder program. Rev. Bobby Carden seconded the motion, and it carried.

Rev. Hollon Norris moved to consider the business of filling the vacancy on the Ordaining Council (due to the death of Rev. Garland Suggs). Motion passed.

Rev. Brooks Sykes moved to appoint Rev. William J. Godwin to the Pee Dee Association Ordaining Council filling the position previously held by Rev. Garland Suggs. Motion passed.

Rev. Hollon Norris moved to re-elect the same Association officers for November 2007- October 2009: Rev. Dean Cartrette, Moderator; Rev. Bobby Carden, Assistant Moderator; Ron Settle, Treasurer; Rev. Larry Greenwood, Member at large; and Dr. Danny McPherson, Clerk. Motion carried.

Bro. GC Bryan addressed the Association noting that fewer than 50% of the Association churches currently support the Free Will Baptist Press. He encouraged pastors and church leaders to use the Press for their church needs. Bro. Bryan also encouraged churches to find ways within their church budgets to support all denominational ministries, donating a certain percentage to each ministry, for example.

Rev. James Howard Nobles moved that the Association give Mt. Olive Original Free Will Baptist Church a standing vote of thanks for their hospitality. Motion carried.

Rev. James Howard Nobles moved to recess out of business and enter into the worship service. Motion carried. Rev. Hollon Norris delivered the morning message—John 3: 1-11, “Getting Excited About Jesus”.

Following the message, the moderator asked Rev. Pete Cribb to return thanks for the lunch prepared by Mt. Olive Original Free Will Baptist Church and to adjourn the Annual Meeting by benediction.

Respectfully submitted,

Rev. Dean Cartrette,
Moderator

Dr. Danny D. McPherson,
Clerk

Piedmont

MINUTES
of the
64th Annual Session
of the
Original Free Will Baptist

Held with
East Rockingham Original Free Will Baptist Church
Rockingham, North Carolina
July 27th & 28th 2007

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Vice Moderator: Reverend Allen Hudson (2008)
Treasurer: Reverend Carlee Stallard (2009)
Clerk: Wayne Hicks (2009)
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At Large 2: Reverend Tim Burton (2009)

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Reverend Larry Brown (2009)
Reverend Hillis Burton (2008)
Reverend Claude Garrett, Sr. (2008)
Reverend Johnny Johnson (2008)
Reverend Tom Parrish (2009)

Conference Reporter

Mrs. Joy Blount (2008)

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Proceedings

The Sixty-fourth annual session of the Piedmont Conference of the Original Free Will Baptist convened at East Rockingham Original Free Will Baptist Church in Rockingham, North Carolina on July 27th and 28th, 2007 with the Reverend Larry Brown as the host pastor.

The Annual Youth Rally began on Friday evening July 27th at 7:00. There were 5 churches represented, Bethany, Christ, East Rockingham, Friendly Chapel, and Wayside Tabernacle. All of the five churches represented participated by singing, skits and answering questions on lessons they have been studying. Trophies were awarded to each church for their participation in the Youth Rally. Pizza was then served in the fellowship hall, where all enjoyed great fellowship.

The business session started at 10:15 am on July 28, 2007 with the opening hymn, "Victory in Jesus". The Conference was called to order by the Moderator, Reverend Roger Motsinger. Devotions were given by James Lively. The roll of the churches and ministers was taken with 7 churches represented and 17 ministers present with a total attendance of 50.

Executive Board:

Discussed the letter of recommendation received from Reverend Tom Parrish, recommending Reverend Johnny Johnson to be placed in office on the Ordaining Council. Discussed a resolution forwarded to the executive committee from the resolutions committee regarding halting ordaining women ministers. Discussed and decided to bring this matter before the conference.

Ordaining Council:

Reverend Harold Hopper came before the board to be ordained.

Denominational Enterprises: *These were present and came forward to give a report.*

Sister Mary Dudley – Sunday School Board, Home Missions

Mr. Ronnie Taylor – Retirement Homes

Reverend Tom Parrish – Children's Home

Reverend Dale Belvin – Mt. Olive College

Obituary:

The Reverend M.E. Cox brought to memory the many ministers that have served the Piedmont Conference in the past that have now gone home with the Lord.

Resolutions:

1. Be it resolved that we take a stand against immorality in the church today and that we promote moral values.
2. Be it resolved that we give a rising vote of thanks to East Rockingham OFWB Church for hosting the 64th Annual Session of the Piedmont Original Free Will Baptist Conference.

Resolution Committee

(Sister Neoma Garrett, Sister Janice Atkins & Rev. M.E. Cox)

Business:

It was brought before the conference a resolution submitted to the resolutions committee regarding halting ordaining women ministers. There were three options: (1) to accept the resolution and halt ordaining women ministers (2) not accept the resolution and continue ordaining women ministers (3) table matter for later discussion. After a brief discussion on how this matter should be handled this was placed on the floor: Motion to continue ordaining women ministers as the Piedmont Conference has done for over 30 years. It was approved to continue to ordain women ministers.

Worship Hour:

"What a Friend We Have in Jesus" was the opening hymn. James Lively did the special singing. Reverend Larry Brown preached a message titled "Fear". He read from II Timothy 1: 7. James Lively closed in prayer. Everyone adjourned to the fellowship hall for a wonderful meal that had been prepared. Thank you East Rockingham for your hospitality.

Respectfully submitted,
Reverend Roger Motsinger, Moderator
Wayne Hicks, Clerk

Western

MINUTES
of the
ONE HUNDRED TWENTY-FIRST SESSION
of the
WESTERN CONFERENCE
of
ORIGINAL FREE WILL BAPTISTS
Held with
VICTORY ORIGINAL FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH
Wilson, North Carolina
October 18, 2007

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Proceedings

The One-Hundred and Twentieth First Session of the Western Conference of Original Free Will Baptists convened at Victory Original Free Will Baptist Church, Wilson, North Carolina, on October 18, 2007, at 9:00 a.m. The Clerk called the Conference to order. The opening devotions were given by Rev. Don Fleming. The host church led the congregation in singing the opening hymn.

The welcome was given by host Pastor, Rev. Wayne Whitley, and the response was given by Rev. Donald Coates. A motion was made and carried to adopt the program, as presented, with changes as necessary.

The Moderator, Rev. Donald Coates, made the following appointments to temporary committees: Nominating Committee — the Revs. Allen Stanley, Frank Grubbs, and Al Warrick; Resolutions Committee: — the Revs. De Wayne Eakes, Terry Dennis, and Wayne King; Memorial Committee — the Revs. Walter Blackmon, Michael Crocker, and Lloyd Hargis.

The Moderator addressed the conference from Ephesians chapter 4:1-3 stressing the “Unity of the Spirit.”

The Clerk called the roll of ministers and churches.

The Western Conference Board of Ordination gave the following report:

**REPORT OF THE WESTERN CONFERENCE
BOARD OF ORDINATION
TO THE 121ST SESSION OF THE WESTERN CONFERENCE
VICTORY ORIGINAL FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH
OCTOBER 18, 2007**

The Western Conference Board of Ordination met five times since the last annual session of the Conference. Two of those meetings were for ordination services. Your Board of Ordination submits the following report and makes the following recommendations for your approval:

- 1. Approved for License to Preach the Gospel:**

Stanley Worthy Kirby	Pleasant Grove OFWB Church
George Horton Futrelle	Pleasant Grove OFWB Church
Scott Andrew Broadway	Black Jack Grove OFWB Church

- 2. Renewed License to Preach the Gospel:**

William (Bill) Leo Dauphinais	Spring Hill OFWB Church
William Cameron Ash	Little Rock OFWB Church
Justin Donald Smith	Little Rock OFWB Church
William David Currie	Marsh Swamp OFWB Church
James Elton Hall	Mt. Zion OFWB Church, Wilson Co.
John Joseph Davis	Everett Chapel OFWB Church
James Roger Pearce	Watson's Grove OFWB Church
Richard E. Cuddington, Jr.	Piney Grove OFWB Church

- 3. Failed to Renew License:**

Andrew George Hales	Sherron Acres OFWB Church
Warren Demas Hoover	Road OFWB Church

- 4. Ministers Ordained since the last Conference:**

Larry Neat Matthews	Mount Zion OFWB Church
Don Allen Fleming	Pleasant Grove OFWB Church

- 5. Met Requirements and Exchanged Credentials:**

William Douglas Radford	Spring Hill OFWB Church
Tim McFatter	Unity OFWB Church

6. **Transferred into the Conference:**

Terry Ellis from the Eastern Conference

Trinity OFWB Church

7. **Credentials Surrendered:**

James Walter Proctor, II

8. **License Period:**

There is a one-year term on the license to preach the gospel with a five-year maximum on the amount of time allowed to preach under license in preparation for ordination. If at any time the *licensed minister allows the license to lapse*, the entire licensing process must be restarted beginning with the recommendation of the local church to the Board of Ordination.

9. **Ordination Requirements:**

We commend to our member churches and to all of our licensed ministers the attached *Requirements for Ordination*. This document will serve as a checklist for our licensed ministers as they move toward ordination. This document will also aid our churches in answering initial questions that a candidate might have in regards to the requirements for ordination.

10. **Conference Attendance:**

A. Any minister (licensed or ordained) holding membership in the Western Conference, who fails to attend the annual session of the Conference for two consecutive years or fails to send a letter showing reasonable excuse for non-attendance, is subject to censure and/or the revocation of his credentials of ordination.

B. All ministers (licensed or ordained) serving in the Western Conference in any pastoral position are required to register and attend the annual session of the Western Conference. Pastoral positions include but are not limited to pastors, associate pastors, and youth ministers. Failure to attend two consecutive years or failure to send a letter showing reasonable excuse for non-attendance will subject the minister to censure and/or the revocation of his credentials.

11. **Annual Convention Attendance:**

Any minister (licensed and ordained) holding membership in the Western Conference is required to register and attend at least one day of our annual two-day Convention of OFWBs, which meets Wednesday and Thursday following the second Sunday of May. A letter stating a reasonable excuse will also be accepted in lieu of this requirement. It may be sent to either the Clerk of the Board of Ordination or the Clerk of the Conference.

12. **Ministers Transferring into the Western Conference:**

A. From Sister Conferences: These ministers must be cleared with the Western Conference Board of Ordination *prior to assuming* the pastorate to which they are called. This is the responsibility of the church calling the minister; however the minister should be sure it has been done *prior to* beginning the prospective work. This is a simple procedure designed to protect our churches from harm. Our churches are not independent of the Conference as is true in some other denominations and groups.

B. From other Denominations: For this information you are referred to page 89 of our *Articles of Faith & Principles of Church Government*.

13. The Christian Flag Service for Ministers:

The Board of Ordination will serve as the Conference Christian Flag Committee. Any minister serving in the Western Conference at the time of his death will be given the Christian Flag Service if the minister has so requested or the family so desires. The flag will be purchased by the Conference.

14. Items for Praise:

1. Our newly ordained ministers
2. Our newly licensed ministers
3. Our new member who has transferred into the Conference.
4. Our new members by baptism or transfer into the member churches of the Conference

15. Things a Licensed Minister *Can* and *Cannot* Do:

1. A licensed minister *cannot* be called or hired as pastor of any church.
2. A licensed minister *can* serve a church on an interim or supply basis under the supervision of his Board of Ordination Advisor or another ordained minister as directed by the Board of Ordination. This service is to be limited to six months in any one church. If the church wishes an extension on the services of the licensed minister, the church must appeal to the Board of Ordination.
3. A licensed minister *cannot* administer the ordinances of the Gospel.
4. A licensed minister *cannot* perform wedding ceremonies.
5. A licensed minister *can* conduct worship services, preach, and teach as the opportunities are afforded to the licensed minister.
6. A licensed minister *can* officiate in a funeral service.
7. A Licensed minister *can* be elected to serve as temporary chairman of a business meeting with the exceptions as outlined on pg. 74, paragraph 2 of *The Articles of Faith and Principles of Church Government*.
8. A licensed minister *can* vote at the annual conference.

16. Recommendations to the Conference:

1. The ministers ordained since our last conference, the Reverends Larry N. Matthews and Don A. Fleming, and those ministers who have met the requirements for ordination and exchanged credentials, the Reverends William D. Radford and Tim McFatter, and the Reverend Terry Ellis be welcomed into the Conference with the Right Hand of Fellowship by the Moderator and their names be added to the list of duly ordained ministers of the Western Conference by the Conference Clerk.
2. The newly licensed ministers, Stanley Worthy Kirby, George Horton Futrelle, and Scott Andrew Broadway, be added to the list of licensed ministers by the Conference Clerk.
3. That all our ministers, both ordained and licensed, continue to abide by our current *Ministerial Code of Ethics*.
4. That our churches not call ordained or licensed ministers from other denominations to serve as interim or to do supply work.

5. That this report in its entirety be received by the Conference and that these recommendations be adopted by the Conference as submitted.

Respectfully submitted,
Your Board of Ordination:
Ray Wells, chairman
Rudy Owens
De W. Eakes
Wayne King
James Rogerson
David Kriger
Frank Grubbs, clerk

Motion was made, seconded and passed to receive the Ordination report as presented.

The Moderator recognized the newly licensed and ordained ministers, and ministers transferring into the Western Conference.

The Moderator recognized the ministers who were visiting.

A partial report of the **Credentials Committee** was received and the delegates were seated.

The report from Camp Vandemere was received.

The moderator expressed his appreciation for the Conference being ahead of schedule and recognized the Director of Convention Services, Rev. Buddy Sasser. Brother Sasser called for reports from The Free Will Baptist Press, The Children's Home, Retirement Homes, and Foreign Missions.

The report of The **Memorial Committee** was received as presented.

Following a short break, the opening Business Session was held, beginning with the Clerk reading the following minutes of the Executive Committee meetings:

MINUTES OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

The Executive Committee of the Western Conference of Original Free Will Baptists met Three times during the year with all members present.

On December 4, 2006 the executive committee met at the First FWB Church in Pine Level.

The meeting was opened with an address by the moderator expressing his thoughts for the "committee" and its direction for the next two years. The treasurer's report was shared.

Much discussion followed regarding whether or not one of the resolutions offered at the regular meeting of the Western Conference on 10/20/06 was in agreement with the conference's constitution. A motion was made and seconded to send "exact copies" of the

original resolution as presented to the Western Conference in regular session to all conferences and associations of Free Will Baptist. [The motion Passed: 3 for 2 against.]

The Chair expressed interest in advising every member of the Western Conference that the Executive Committee is available to hear and help with "individual problems."

The next executive committee meeting will be March 5, 2007 at 7:00 P.M. at Pleasant Hill Free Will Baptist Church.

Meeting was adjourned with prayer.

On March 8, 2007 the executive committee met at Pleasant Hill Free Will Baptist Church, Pikeville NC.

The meeting was opened with various reports from differing members of the committee. The treasurer's report was shared. (*The present balance is \$5617.54.*)

The question was raised concerning whether or not a payment had been made to the North Carolina Foundation for Christian Ministries. The committee was assured by the treasurer it would be taken care of.

An informal report from the Chairman of our State Convention regarding various denominational programs was shared.

The chair asked where the names for the Nominating and the Resolutions committees originated. Brother Charles Renfrow informed the chair that it was usually left up to the chairman. The chair delegated the members of the Executive Committee to submit names for both committees.

The next executive committee meeting will be August 30, 2007 at 7:00 P.M. at Pleasant Hill Free Will Baptist Church.

Meeting was adjourned with prayer.

On August 30, 2007 the executive committee met at Pleasant Hill Free Will Baptist Church, Pikeville NC.

The meeting was opened with prayer.

The first item addressed was the "Wall of Honor." A discussion answering many questions followed.

The second item concerned itself with the publication of apparent changes to the Resolutions Committee. After much discussion, a motion was made, seconded, and passed to rescind all published statements regarding resolutions to be submitted at its annual secession. The clerk is to attempt to see to it that the correction is published in the October edition of the FWB. (This must be done by September 5, 2007.) The committee expressed its approval of the appointments to the Resolutions Committee. (Rev. Wayne King, Dr. Rudy Owens, Dr. DeWayne Eakes)

The clerk was told to make sure that the letters to the churches are mailed by September 10, 2007.

A motion to delete from the church letter the \$10.00 payment for yearbooks from each church, was made, seconded and passed.

Plans for the 2007 Conference were discussed. The clerk was asked to send a copy of the Conference Bulletin to Rev. Wayne Whitley for his approval and make sure he is aware of the need for tables for registration and the moderator and clerk.

The clerk is to make certain the ministers asked to do the morning and afternoon devotions confine themselves to scripture and prayer. (Rev. Don Fleming, opening devotion; Rev. Cameron Ward, afternoon; Bro. Stanley Kirby, alternate)

The committee voted to ask Rev. Ray Wells to bring the Conference morning message for the 2007 Conference.

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The clerk was asked to contact Bro. Norman Gordan to make sure of name tags etc. for credentials committee.

The Conference has been asked to Marsh Swamp OFWB Church for its 2008 meeting.

Meeting was adjourned with prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

Bobby L. Futrell, WESTERN CONFERENCE CLERK

A motion was made, seconded, and passed for the executive committee to bring to next year's Conference plans for rotating the committee.

The Morning Worship Service was conducted with The Reverend Ray Wells bringing a message that was a challenge to all!

The conference was adjourned for lunch prepared by the host church and enjoyed by everyone.

When reconvened, the following **Treasurer's report** was given by Rev. Allen Stanley:

Financial Report of the Western Conference of Original Free Will Baptists

October 12, 2006—October 18, 2007

<i>Balance on hand October 13, 2006</i>		<i>\$4,181.02</i>
Receipts:		
<i>Churches</i>	<i>\$3,497.00</i>	
<i>Scholarship Fund</i>	<i>65.00</i>	
<i>Conference Offering</i>	<i>283.00</i>	
<i>Total Receipts</i>		<i>3,845.00</i>
<i>Total Receipts and old balance</i>		<i>\$8,026.02</i>
Disbursements:		
<i>Board of Ordination expenses</i>	<i>\$1321.51</i>	<i>(Note this was for two years)</i>
<i>Executive Board expenses</i>	<i>405.80</i>	
<i>Conference expenses</i>	<i>170.88</i>	
<i>Yearbook pages</i>	<i>420.00</i>	
<i>Convention Wall of Honor In Memory of Dr. Billy Yawn and the Reverend Joe Ingram</i>	<i>1000.00</i>	
<i>NC Foundation for Ministries</i>	<i>1200.00</i>	
<i>Western Conference Scholarship Fund</i>	<i>500.00</i>	
<i>Total Disbursements</i>		<i>5018.19</i>

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<i>Balance on hand October 16, 2007</i>		<u>\$3,0087.83</u>
<i>Total in Scholarship Fund which is included in above balance</i>		<u>\$117.00</u>

The Treasurer's Report was received as reported.

Convention Services concluded its reports by sharing from Home Missions, Mt. Olive College, and The Original Free Will Baptist Foundation for Christian Ministries (Dr. Raper asked the conference to consider donating \$1200.00 as had been done last year.) *[In the final business session a motion was made, seconded, and passed for the Conference to make this donation.]* A report from the Sunday School Ministry and Cragmont Assembly was followed by closing remarks by Convention Services Coordinator Rev. Buddy Sasser; all were received as information.

The report from Carolina Bible Institute was received as information.

The report of the **Nominating Committee** offered for consideration the names of the Reverends Walter Blackmon and W. L. (Bill) Dauphinais to fill the unexpired terms of Revs. Nelson Rollins and David Thick on the credentials committee, and Rev. Wayne King to fill the expiring term of Rev. Calvin Heath on the board of ordination. A motion to receive the report of the nominating committee was seconded and passed.

A motion to close the nominations and proceed to elect by acclamation was seconded and passed.

The report of the **Resolutions Committee** presented the following resolution for consideration:

Be it resolved that we extend to the host church a rising vote of thanks for the ministry of hospitality they have shared with us in hosting this 121st session of the Western Conference.

Respectfully submitted;

Your Resolutions Committee: Terry Dennis, Wayne King, De Wayne Eakes

A motion to adopt the resolution was seconded and passed.

The final report of the **Credentials Committee** revealed the following:

<i>Ordained ministers present</i>	56
<i>Visiting ministers present</i>	12
<i>Licensed ministers present</i>	<u>10</u>
<i>Total Ministers Present</i>	78

<i>Delegates present</i>	58
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<i>Money received from churches</i>	\$3,347.00
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<i>Churches of the Western Conference</i>	
<i>Membership --</i>	8,050

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<i>Received by baptism –</i>		139
<i>Received by letter</i>		135
 <i>Members lost</i>		
<i>Death –</i>		122
<i>Letter –</i>		72
 <i>Memberships of organizations</i>		
<i>Sunday School</i>	3,738	
<i>Woman's Auxiliary</i>	758	
<i>YFA</i>	249	
<i>AFC</i>	204	
<i>Cherubs</i>	127	
<i>Laymen's League</i>	247	

(The above figures include the amounts from late arriving Church letters. BLF)

A motion was made, seconded, and passed to donate \$1200.00 to The Original Free Will Baptist Foundation for Christian Ministries.

A motion was made, seconded, and passed to donate the \$350.00 that had been previously collected for year books to Carolina Bible Institute in memory of Reverend Roy Clifton (\$350.00).

A motion to adjourn was made, seconded, and passed.

Closing scripture and prayer was by Brother George Futrelle.

Respectfully submitted;

Rev. Donald Coates – Western Conference Moderator

Rev. Bobby L. Futrell – Western Conference Clerk

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**Secretary's Report To
North Carolina Woman's Auxiliary Convention
Of Original Free Will Baptists**

May 10, 2007

Western District - Pleasant Hill OFWB Church

Compilation of 2007 Woman's Auxiliary District Reports.

Districts reporting – 6

Number of local auxiliaries reporting – 115

Enrollment – 2184

Average Attendance – 1555

Life Membership Awarded - 26

Cottage Prayer Meetings - 130

Rest Home Services – 270

Articles written for publication - 76

STUDY COURSES

Missions – 38 with 498 attendance

Auxiliary Manual – 9 with 73 in attendance

Prayer – 37 with 466 in attendance

Stewardship – 31 with 277 in attendance

Evangelism – 14 with 175 in attendance

Other – 3 with 45 in attendance

Total – 132 with 1534 in attendance

Auxiliaries using **DEVOTION** – 100

Weeks of Prayer – 80

Auxiliaries divided into Circles – 11 Total Circles – 29

Using the Standard of Achievement Chart – 34

North Carolina Prayer Band members – 93

YOUTH

48 Cherub Organizations with 407 members

54 AFC Organizations with 445 members

58 YFA Organizations with 535 members

16 other organizations with 214 members

Competition Participation

Performing Talent – 85

Christian Writing – 12

Arts and Crafts – 89

Lesson Presentation – 14

Public Speaking – 3

Bible Bowl – 43

Youth helped to go to Cragmont Youth Conference – 207

Boy/Girl Scout groups – 11 Scout leaders or assistants - 13

**North Carolina Woman's Auxiliary Convention
of Original Free Will Baptists
May 10, 2007**

The eightieth annual session of the North Carolina Woman's Auxiliary Convention of Original Free Will Baptists met on May 10, 2007 at Pleasant Hill Original Free Will Baptist Church, Pikeville, North Carolina, hosted by the Western Woman's Auxiliary Convention. The theme was "Life Can Be Better" with scripture from Matthew 6:33, "But seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness, and all these things shall be added unto you."

Auxiliary women from across the state joined to form the convention choir. Under the direction of Lynn Prescott, this choir brought special music throughout the convention. Gail Heath was the convention pianist.

Lottie Caroon gave the morning devotion based on the Sermon on the Mount from Matthew 5 and 6. She closed her devotion by reminding us that for "life to be better", God must come first, Matthew 6:33. Mrs. Caroon closed the devotion with prayer.

The convention was led in songs of praise by Jane Parker. Joyce Edmundson, president of the Western Woman's Auxiliary, welcomed us to Pleasant Hill and the Western Woman's Auxiliary. She was followed by Paula Owens, president of the Pleasant Hill Woman's Auxiliary. Mrs. Owens shared with us information and announcements for the day. The response was given by Faye Bryant, Pee Dee Woman's Auxiliary. Mrs. Bryant shared with us a story which reminded us to leave our troubles outside the convention and dwell on the joy of the meeting. She stressed that if we give our troubles to God, we can truly enjoy the day that the Western women had worked to provide for us. Vi Loveless offered the invocation. She asked us to lift our hands and reach for the presence of God as she voiced the prayer.

President Joan Little, in her remarks, encouraged us to embrace happy thoughts throughout the day. She closed her comments with a reading, "Life Is..." and the challenge to "make life better" through happy thoughts. The following groups and individuals were recognized:

- Six Woman's Auxiliary district presidents. (Becky Jo Sumner – Albemarle, Jane Parker – Cape Fear, May Pittman – Central, Wanda Costner – Eastern, Edith McPherson – Pee Dee, and Joyce Edmundson – Western). Mrs. Costner recognized The Rev. Wesley Taylor, director of Camp Vandemere in the Eastern Conference, who spoke briefly about the growth, summer camping season, and vision of the camp.
- District presidents recognized their Woman's Auxiliary district officers and members. (Albemarle - 3 officers, Cape Fear – 5 officers, Central – 6 officers, Eastern – 7 officers, Pee Dee – 5 officers, and Western – 6 officers)
- Free Will Baptist Ministers: Dr. Burkette Raper, The Rev. Mike Scott, The Rev. Richard Glosson, The Rev. John Hill, The Rev. Harold Jones, The Rev. Lewis Godwin, The Rev. Wesley Taylor, The Rev. Francis Garner and the Rev. Jeff Daughtry.

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- All Woman's Auxiliary Convention officers were present: Joan Little, president; Sara Parker, vice president; Becky Jo Sumner, recording secretary; Teresa Grubbs, corresponding secretary; Nadine Crocker, Treasurer/Life Membership; Teresa Ball, Missions Chairman; Martha Parson, Youth Chairman; Faye Bryant, Co-Youth Chairman; Carolyn Jernigan, Study Course Chairman; Dianne Riley, Program Prayer Chairman; Jackie Flowers, Benevolence Chairman; and Jean Ackiss, Field Secretary.

President Little named the following committees:

- Finance: Nadine Crocker, Chairman; Betty Strickland (Cape Fear); Jane T. Tripp (Central).
- Resolutions: Marci Rollins-Smart (Western) Chairman; Ava Edwards (Pee Dee), Amy Scott (Eastern).
- Registration and Credentials: Sara Parker, Vice President, Chairman; Nadine Crocker, Treasurer; Linda Pierce (Western), Paula Owens (Western), Jackie Barbee (Western).

No items of business were brought before the convention during the first business session.

Pam Braxton directed the memorial service. She shared a poem, "Ben Adam", by Lee Hunt with the convention. She stressed that women share love for God and love to our neighbors through the three arms of the Auxiliary: missions, devotion, and service. She asked one representative from each local Auxiliary who had had a deceased member since our last convention to stand and think of that woman's contribution to the Auxiliary as she prayed.

During the break which followed the memorial service, A-1 Auxiliaries were asked to get their certificates.

Our time of worship began with a call to worship by the convention choir, "Hear the Voice of Jesus Calling". Nancy Hardee shared the Old Testament reading from Psalm 121 which was followed by the congregation's singing "We've a Story to Tell to the Nations". The New Testament reading, Matthew 4:1-11 was given by Teresa Grubbs. A special highlight of the convention was the morning prayer offered by Willem van der Plas, missionary to Bulgaria, by means of a DVD recording. Reverend van der Plas also gave a brief personal testimony which ended with him being "sent as a servant of his Lord Jesus Christ to Bulgaria." The congregation joined in a responsive reading led by May Pittman followed by everyone's singing "Seek Ye First". Carolyn Jernigan extended the offertory prayer. As the offering was received, Lynn Prescott and Gail Heath sang "Tears Are a Language God Understands". Hattie Mae Everton introduced the speaker and Lorraine Garner sang, "People Need the Lord".

Kathy Hayes brought the message, "God's Truth: Satan's Lies". She stressed four lies Satan tells us which he claims "can make life better". Lie 1 – Life can be better if we have more stuff. Lie 2 – Life can be better if we don't commit to His work. Lie 3 – Life can be better if we tear someone else down. Lie 4 – Life can be better if we take charge of our own lives. She reminded us that life can become better when we listen to God. And then she told

us how to know when God is speaking. We should be so wrapped up in God that we know what God would say or do in any situation. At the close of the message, Myra Peedin sang "Your Grace Still Amazes Me" which was followed by prayer by Teresa Ball and the choral response, "Lord, I Lift Your Name on High."

After a short break the convention reconvened with the congregation's singing "In the Service of the King". Happy Taylor spoke on God's unmerited grace from Ephesians 2:8 and offered a prayer. The following reports were given for information:

- Anna Phillips Student Aid Fund by Jean Ackiss. Matthew Grubbs from the First OFWB Church of Plymouth was the 2006-2007 recipient of the Anna Phillips Scholarship. The complete report is located in the secretary's book.
- Youth report by Martha Parsons and Faye Bryant. The Youth Convention will be held on May 18-20, 2007 at Mount Olive College. The theme will be "Deal or No Deal". The complete report is located in the secretary's book.
- Registration and Credentials by Sara Parker. The total registered was 179. The complete report is located in the secretary's book.

A motion was made by May Pittman, seconded by Vi Loveless and passed to accept the Treasurer's Report, the Finance Committee's Report, and the Life Membership Report as given by Nadine Crocker. The total registration fees were \$2,150; the total monies to account for were \$63,322.31 of which \$51,605.90 were for denominational ministries; and 22 life awards and 1 honor seal mailed. These reports are located in the secretary's book.

A motion was made by Jackie Flowers, seconded by Margaret May and passed to accept the following resolution presented by Marci Rollins-Smart, chairman of the Resolutions Committee: Be it resolved that the State Auxiliary and all local Auxiliaries send a contribution to the FWB Press for their "Press for \$125,000". This motion was revised to state that the Woman's Auxiliary Convention would send \$100.

A motion was made by Gertha Bennett, seconded by Jackie Flowers, and passed to accept the following resolutions from the Resolutions Committee:

- Be it resolved that all auxiliaries support the fundraising for outfitting kitchens for disaster relief trailers.
- Be it resolved that all our auxiliaries support all our denominational ministries with prayer and financial contributions.
- Be it resolved that all auxiliaries are encouraged to reach out to the young women in our churches to join their local auxiliaries.
- Be it resolved that we give a rising vote of thanks to the host church, Pleasant Hill OFWB Church, for their hospitality and friendliness to us during this convention and for the wonderful breakfast and dinner they prepared for us.

A motion was made by Jean Ackiss, seconded by Sara Parker, and passed to approve the minutes as recorded in the program book.

The recipient of the Life Membership Award was Joan Little. Comments were made by Ann Copeland from Mrs. Little's home church, Kings Cross Roads OFWB. She spoke concerning her work within her local church, district auxiliary work, and state auxiliary work.

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Mrs. Little's brother and daughter also spoke about the loving and caring personality that makes Joan such a special person in the Lord's work.

Information from all the ministries of the OFWB was presented through pictures and reports by ministry representatives. The following ministry leaders spoke in order of their date of organization: FWB Press (1873) - Cliff Gray, Children's Home (1920) - Cynthia Batten, Sunday School Ministry (1940) - Mary Dudley, Cragmont Assembly (1945) - Bryant Hines, Mount Olive College (1951) - Jean Ackiss, Foreign Missions (1962) - Harold Jones, Home Missions and Evangelism (1972) - David C. Hansley, Convention of OFWB - Buddy Sasser. The Minister's Program and Church Finance represented through pictures and text included in the ministries' power point presentation. The Rev. Buddy Sasser presented President Little with a book entitled The Externally Focused Church from the Alliance of Evangelism which stresses church growth.

Lunch directions and the closing prayer were given by Donna Holland.

President, Joan Little
Secretary, Becky Jo Sumner

North Carolina Woman's Auxiliary Convention Of Original Free Will Baptist 2007 A-1 Auxiliaries May 10, 2007

Albemarle: Sound Side

Cape Fear: Roberts Grove, Lee's Chapel, Bethel, Oak Grove, Hopewell, Powhatan,
Yelverton Grove, Tee's Chapel

Central: King's Cross Roads, Little Creek, Marlboro

Eastern: Deep Run, Folkstone

Pee Dee: Beaverdam

Western: Pleasant Hill, Piney Grove

**North Carolina Woman's Auxiliary Convention
Of Original Free Will Baptists
Executive Committee Meeting
January 20, 2007**

The executive committee of the North Carolina Woman's Auxiliary Convention of Original Free Will Baptists met on January 20, 2007 at Mount Olive College with the following in attendance: Jackie Flowers, Benevolence Chairman; Edith McPherson, Pee Dee Woman's Auxiliary President; Faye Bryant, Youth Co-Chairman; Dianne B. Riley, Program Prayer Chairman; Joan H. Little, President and Registrar-Cragmont Woman's Conferences; Martha Parsons, Youth Chairman; Jean F. Ackiss, Field Secretary; Jane C. Tripp, Central Woman's Auxiliary President and Literature Chairman; Carolyn F. Jernigan, Study Course Chairman; Sondra Thick, Co Director/Co Registrar-Cragmont Woman's Conferences; Teresa M. Ball, Missions Chairman; May Pittman, Director - Cragmont Woman's Conferences; Jane Parker, Cape Fear Woman's Auxiliary President; Teresa Grubbs, Corresponding Secretary; Sara W. Parker, Vice President; Velma Morris, Cragmont Board Representative; and Becky Jo Sumner, Recording Secretary and Albemarle Woman's Auxiliary President.

Joan Little extended a welcome to those in attendance. Ms. Little brought a devotion on repentance. Her comments were based on Matthew 3:1-3 and Luke 19:8. She stressed that repentance involves a change. An apology, to be sincere, must be backed by a change in actions. Jackie Flowers led the group in prayer.

A motion was made by Sara Parker, seconded by Faye Bryant, and passed to dispense with the reading of the minutes.

Nadine Crocker, treasurer, due to illness, provided the following report by phone.

Balance in General Fund: \$5,593.95

Designated Funds: \$750.00 - New Auxiliary Pins

\$3,725.00 - Room renovation at FWB Press
in honor of Nina Grace Register

Ending Balance available for convention use: \$1,118.95

A motion was made by Carolyn Jernigan, seconded by Jackie Flowers, and passed to accept this report.

Reports for information were given by Teresa Grubbs, corresponding secretary; Teresa Ball, missions; Martha Parsons, youth; Carolyn Jernigan, study course; May Pittman, Cragmont Woman's Conference; Velma Morris, Cragmont Representative; Jackie Flowers, benevolence; Jean Ackiss, field secretary; Becky Jo Sumner, compiling editor of Devotion. All written reports submitted by chairmen are located in the secretary's record book.

*Nominating Committee, Report given by Becky Jo Sumner:

- Christian Education Committee - Nancy Boykin - Term 2007-2010
- Cragmont Stockholders - Velma Morris - Term 2007-2010
- Literature Committee - Rose Williams - 2007-2012

*Literature Committee report by Jane C. Tripp:

- Jane C. Tripp elected chairman.
- The Manual of Methods was divided into sections and assigned to committee members for revisions that would be brought to the entire committee. The entire committee has met once and tentatively plans to meet again in February. The committee's goal is to have a rough draft for the Executive Committee in June, 2007.
- An investigation has been made into the format of the revised manual. Some ideas are a large size notebook and a loose leaf notebook.

*Program Prayer report by Dianne Riley:

- Each district president is to supply five people for a convention choir. These names and addresses need to be mailed to Dianne.
- The 2007 convention will be held at Pleasant Hill OFWB church in the Western District.
- Dianne was asked to supervise and co ordinate ministry displays at the convention. Each ministry will be asked to use a card table (or table that size) for its display. It was discussed that the introductions of ministry representatives could be made by a woman and that the Reverend Buddy Sasser would speak for any ministries not represented.
- It was decided that if additional funds were needed for the program book, the matter would be discussed and resolved at the June 2007 executive meeting rather than taking an offering at the 2007 convention.

*Life Membership Committee report by Dianne Riley:

The committee has met and its work is completed.

Letters were shared from Nina Grace Register thanking the committee for the luncheon held in June, 2006; from Sheryl Hopper, President of the Piedmont Woman's Auxiliary, reporting on the work in that district; and regarding the Earl and Marie Glenn Endowed Scholarship Fund at Mount Olive College.

During unfinished business, we received the following reports for information:

- Dianne Riley reported that she is continuing her investigation in regard to covering the pews in Rodger's Chapel at Mount Olive College.
- Dianne Riley reported the following on the renovation of the Nina Grace Register room at the FWB Press.
 1. A table has been donated by Mount Olive College and delivered to the Press.
 2. The room has been painted, a new floor installed, blinds hung, and partition screens purchased.
 3. The following is needed: chairs, cornice or draperies at windows, renovation of the room's door, and a plaque for the room.
 4. The following suggestion was made for the wording on the plaque: DEVOTION CONFERENCE ROOM IN HONOR OF NINA GRACE REGISTER. GIVEN BY THE WOMAN'S AUXILIARY. Dianne Riley and Jean Ackiss will develop the wording for the plaque.

5. A dedication event to be held at a Press board meeting was suggested.

The Spring 2007 District Woman's Auxiliary Conventions are:

Albemarle – April 21, 9:30 a.m., Mount Tabor OFWB Church

Cape Fear – April 7, Lee's Chapel OFWB Church

Central – March 24, 9:30 a.m., Black Jack FWB Church

Eastern – March 17 or 24, 9:30 a.m., Smith's New Home OFWB Church

Pee Dee – April 7, 10:00 a.m., Oak Grove OFWB Church

Piedmont – April 21, 10:00 a.m., Christ FWB Church (Stokesdale)

Western – April 4, 9:30 a.m., Mt. Zion OFWB Church (Kenly)

During new business the following decisions were made:

- The need for a different name for the August Cragmont Woman's Conference was discussed. It was suggested that the name follow the pattern used in the other Woman's Conferences of using a name for Christ found in the Scriptures. May Pittman was asked to include a place for name suggestions on the summer Woman's Conferences evaluation sheets. This matter was tabled until our June 2007 executive committee meeting when members are asked to bring suggestions.
- Teresa Grubbs was asked to prepare the Woman's Auxiliary page for the Youth Convention program book.
- Faye Bryant shared a request from the Pee Dee youth. We were asked if the August Woman's Conference could be moved one week later in the summer starting in 2009 so the new Pee Dee Youth conference could use that week for their conference due to a conflict with school activities. The following decisions and recommendations were made:

1. To include this request on the evaluation sheets for the Summer Woman's Conferences.
2. To have the Cragmont directors study the feasibility of making this change and to bring a recommendation back to the executive committee in January 2008.

- A motion was made by Carolyn Jernigan, seconded by Faye Bryant, and passed to discuss a question raised by the Youth Executive Committee regarding the selling of ads for the Youth Program Book to individuals, groups, and businesses other than Free Will Baptists. It was decided that the Youth Chairman should develop guidelines for the selling of ads and that all ads should be screened before printing. The Youth Convention Executive Committee should reserve the right to redo or refuse any ad.

It was noted that the money from these ads would be used for the Youth Convention. The price of the ads were to be \$25 - 1/4 page, \$50 - 1/2 page, \$100 - whole page.

A motion was made by Faye Bryant, seconded by Sara Parker, and passed to allow the youth convention to sell ads following guidelines developed by the youth chairmen.

- A motion was made by Becky Sumner, seconded by Carolyn Jernigan, and passed for the Woman's Auxiliary to sponsor, organize, and plan a second women's retreat weekend at Cragmont Assembly after discussion with Cragmont Assembly. Our Cragmont Retreat staff will report on this at our June 2007 meeting. The first retreat should occur within twelve months of the report to the executive committee.

A motion was made by Faye Bryant, seconded by Jean Ackiss, and passed to adjourn.

The blessing and benediction were offered by Jean Ackiss.

President, Joan Little

Recording Secretary, Becky Jo Sumner

**North Carolina Woman's Auxiliary Convention
Of Original Free Will Baptists
Executive Committee Meeting
June 2, 2007**

The executive committee of the North Carolina Woman's Auxiliary Convention of Original Free Will Baptists met on June 2, 2007 in the Nina Grace Register Devotion Conference Room at the Free Will Baptists Press with the following in attendance: Velma Morris, Cragmont Board Representative; Nadine Crocker, Treasurer; Dianne B. Riley, Program Prayer Chairman; Jackie Flowers, Benevolence Chairman; Jean F. Ackiss, Field Secretary; Sara W. Parker, Vice President; Martha Parsons, Youth Chairman; Teresa Grubbs, Corresponding Secretary; Jane T. Tripp, Literature Committee Chairman; May Pittman, President Central Woman's Auxiliary and Director Cragmont Woman's Conference; Joan Little, President; and Becky Jo Sumner, Recording Secretary and President Albemarle Woman's Auxiliary.

President Little welcomed everyone to the meeting and shared a devotion from I Samuel 9:16. She reminded us that sometimes we pray and don't believe. We need to remember that our cries go to God and He will send what we need. A number of prayer request and praise items were shared. Jean Ackiss led us in prayer.

A motion was made by Jackie Flowers, seconded by Carolyn Jernigan, and passed to accept the Treasurer's and Life Membership reports given by Nadine Crocker. This report included the following: Total Income - \$8204.90, Total Disbursements - \$4,355.45, Balance - \$3,849.45 (Of this balance \$1,423.73 is designated for the Nina Grace Register Room.)

The reports for information were given by Teresa Grubbs, corresponding secretary; Martha Parsons, youth; Velma Morris, Cragmont representative; May Pittman, Cragmont Woman's Conferences; Jackie Flowers, benevolence; Becky Jo Sumner, compiling editor of Devotion; and Jean Ackiss, field secretary. The missions report was by letter. (Complete reports are located in the secretary's record book.):

Christian Education Committee Report presented by letter from Angela Warren, chairman. The committee requested clarification on the committee's responsibilities. The request was referred to the Literature Committee who is in the process of revising the Manual of Methods of the Auxiliary. Teresa Grubbs will inform the Christian Education Committee of our response to their request for clarification.

The Literature Committee chairman, Jane T. Tripp, presented copies of revised pages of the Manual of Methods which included changes in the A-1 Achievement Standard. The Literature Committee will meet with the officers of the Woman's Auxiliary in the afternoon of January 19, 2008 to discuss the Manual of Methods revision.

Program Prayer chairman, Dianne Riley, reported that the theme for the 2008 Woman's Auxiliary Convention would be "How Do I Get There From Here". Joan Little brought to our attention that the Reverend Buddy Sasser suggested that all conventions use the theme of the OFWB convention throughout the year. It was decided that the OFWB convention theme be used during the ministry presentations at the Woman's Auxiliary Convention. Dianne asked each person in attendance to complete an evaluation on the May, 2007 Woman's Auxiliary Convention. The recording secretary will compile these evaluations and mail the results to Dianne. Dianne had the Woman's Auxiliary program book cover made into note cards. She gave those in attendance several note cards to mail to women who were unable to attend the convention. Dianne reported on the Nina Grace Register room.

Sara Parker, vice president, reported on her work related to the Woman's Auxiliary Convention. She noted several changes needed in registration at the convention.

Business:

A motion was made by Carolyn Jernigan, seconded by Sara Parker, and passed that the \$1,315.63 remaining in the Nina Grace Register Room Fund be used at the desecration of the Room Committee and Cliff Gray for appliances and/or other needs for the room.

A motion was made by Jean Ackiss, seconded by Carolyn Jernigan, and passed to contact Kathy Hayes to serve the unexpired term of Jane C. Tripp on the Literature Committee. Carolyn Jernigan will contact Kathy Hayes and let the recording secretary know if Kathy will accept the position.

A motion was made by Sara Parker, seconded by Carolyn Jernigan, and passed to ask The Reverend Franklin Baggett to be the director AFC/YFA Youth Frontier Conference at Cragmont for 2008. Teresa Grubbs will contact Reverend Baggett.

The appointment of someone to design and set up a Woman's Auxiliary display at the Convention of OFWB was tabled until out January meeting.

A motion was made by Sara Parker, seconded by Nadine Crocker, and passed to appoint the currently serving district Woman's Auxiliary presidents to serve on the nominating committee for the North Carolina Woman's Auxiliary Convention of OFWB from June 2007 through May 2009. Jane Parker, president of the Cape Fear Woman's Auxiliary, was appointed the chairman.

Jean Ackiss will contact the Piedmont Woman's Auxiliary to determine their status as an active district Woman's Auxiliary Convention.

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A motion was made by Carolyn Jernigan, seconded by Sara Parker, and passed to give \$50 in memory of Jane C. Tripp, chairman of the Literature Committee, to the Kings Cross Road OFWB Church and request an acknowledgement be sent to the Tripp family.

A motion was made by Dianne Riley, seconded by Carolyn Jernigan, and passed to draft a resolution of appreciation for the life of service and for services rendered to the Woman's Auxiliary by Ruth Warrick. A copy of this resolution will be mailed to her family and a copy will be included in the minutes. Teresa Grubbs will prepare this resolution.

Local woman's auxiliaries were encouraged to bring items for Disaster Relief Kits to Fall Woman's Auxiliary Conventions.

The executive committee meeting on the third Saturday in January, 2008 will be held at Raper Hall on the Mount Olive College campus beginning at 9:00 a.m. Lunch will be available.

The Fall district Woman's Auxiliary Conventions are:

Albemarle – October 11, 2007 – First OFWB Church Plymouth – 9:30 a.m.

Cape Fear - unknown

Central – September 22, 2007 – Elm Grove OFWB Church – 9:30 a.m.

Eastern – September 15, 2007 –

Pee Dee – October 6, 2007 – White Oak OFWB Church – 10:00 a.m.

Western – October 3, 2007 – New Sandy Hill OFWB Church – 9:30 a.m.

Joan Little expressed appreciation for receiving the Life Membership Award at the May 2007 Woman's Auxiliary Convention.

A motion was made by Carolyn Jernigan, seconded by Jackie Flowers, and passed to adjourn.

Following the meeting the Nina Grace Register Devotion Conference Room was dedicated. Mrs. Register, her son and daughter-in-law were present. Information from the dedication service is located in the secretary's book.

President – Joan Little

Recording Secretary – Becky Jo Sumner

Woman's Auxiliary Convention

**Called Meeting Executive Session
North Carolina Woman's Auxiliary Convention of OFWB
Office of Institutional Advancement Conference Room
Mount Olive College
October 4, 2007**

The executive committee of the North Carolina Woman's Auxiliary Convention of OFWB met in executive session on October 4, 2007 in the Office of Institutional Advancement conference room at Mount Olive College. The following officers were in attendance: Joan Little, president; Sara Parker, vice president; Becky Jo Sumner, recording secretary; Jean Ackiss, field secretary; Nadine Crocker, treasure; Dianna Riley, program-prayer chairman; Martha Parsons, youth chairman; Faye Bryant, co-youth chairman; Jackie Flowers, benevolence chairman.

The meeting was called to order by President Little. She shared a devotion based on Colossians 3:12-17 in which she encouraged us to show love in our actions, to desire peace, to be thankful, to be wise in Christ and to remember to be Christ like in all we do. Jean Ackiss led us in prayer.

Mrs. Little informed us that the meeting had been called at the request of our youth chairman, Martha Parsons. Mrs. Parsons reported on recent Youth Convention executive committee meetings and provided this committee with copies of the minutes from the August 24-25, 2007 and September 15, 2007 youth committee meetings. Following Mrs. Parsons and Mrs. Bryant's report each committee member was given the opportunity to ask questions and/or make comments.

A motion was made by Dianne Riley, seconded by Jean Ackiss, and passed:

- (1) To recommend that the youth convention amend its constitution to designate one vote per district for District Youth Chairman even if the district has multiple district youth chairmen.
- (2) For Joan Little, Woman's Auxiliary President, to arrange a meeting between the officers of the North Carolina Woman's Auxiliary Convention of OFWB, John Hill of the *Commission on Youth and Student Ministry Leadership*, and two representatives from the Convention of OFWB to discuss the possibilities of unifying work which relates to the youth of the OFWB.

Jackie Flowers offered the closing prayer.

Joan Little, President
Becky Jo Sumner, Recording Secretary

Called Meeting
North Carolina Woman's Auxiliary Convention of OFWB
Office of Institutional Advancement Conference Room
Mount Olive College
November 19, 2007

The executive committee of the North Carolina Woman's Auxiliary Convention of OFWB met on November 19, 2007 in the Office of Institutional Advancement conference room at Mount Olive College. The following officers were in attendance: Joan Little, president; Sara Parker, vice president; Dianna Riley, program-prayer chairman; Jean Ackiss, field secretary; Becky Jo Sumner, recording secretary; Martha Parsons, youth chairman; Faye Bryant, co-youth chairman. Invited guest were: The Reverend John Hill, representative from the Commission on Youth and Student Ministry Leadership; Kathy Cahoon, representative from the Commission on Youth and Student Ministry Leadership; and The Reverend Buddy Sasser, Director of Convention Services of the Convention of Original Free Will Baptists.

President Little called the meeting to order and Jean Ackiss lead us in the opening prayer.

Mrs. Little explained that the purpose of the meeting was to continue our discussion begun at our October 4, 2007 meeting in regard to unifying work which relates to the youth of the OFWB. Representatives from the Commission on Youth and Student Ministry Leadership and the Convention of OFWB were invited to participate in this discussion.

A motion was made by Sara Parker, seconded by Jean Ackiss and passed unanimously for President Joan Little to appoint a Youth Task Force to develop a program of transition to a new bright beginning for the Youth Convention of OFWB.

President Little appointed the following to serve on the Youth Task Force: Kathy Cahoon, The Reverend John Hill, Angela Mattox, David Currie, Heather (Hope) McPherson, Victor Jones, Cynthia Summerlin, Sam Weeks, The Reverend Bryant Hines, Spencer Owens, Martha Parsons, Faye Bryant, Dianne Riley, Becky Jo Sumner, Lynn Watson, and The Reverend Buddy Sasser. Ex officio members: Joan Little and The Reverend Charles L. Renfrow.

Copies of the minutes of this called executive meeting will be mailed to all district woman's auxiliary presidents.

The closing prayer was offered by The Reverend Buddy Sasser.

Joan Little, President
Becky Jo Sumner, Recording Secretary

Woman's Auxiliary Convention

General Funds Report for Year Beginning May 1, 2006 Ending April 30, 2007

BALANCE BROUGHT FORWARD MAY 1, 2006 2,495.31

Receipts

GENERAL FUND:

Registrations	2,720.00	
Anonymous Gift	500.00	
Spec. offering for N.G.R.	3,775.00	
Per Cap Dues	500.00	
Woman's Auxiliary Pins	530.00	
Life Award Fees	450.00	
Spec. offering for General Fund	136.10	
State Convention for Heritage	160.00	
Camp Vandemere	25.00	
State Youth Convention	25.00	
Press for <u>Devotion</u>	400.00	9,221.10

Denominational Ministries: 51,605.90

Total Receipts: 60,827.00

Total for which to account: 63,322.31

Disbursements

Convention Expenses and Allocations	4,063.51
State Youth Convention	25.00
State Convention Headquarters for Heritage Month	160.00
Nina Grace Register for <u>Devotion</u>	400.00
Camp Vandemere	25.00

Denominational Ministries: 51,605.90

Total Disbursed: 56,279.41

Balance for which to account: 7,042.90

First Citizens Bank and Trust Co., Inc. 7,042.90

Respectfully submitted,
Nadine Crocker, Treasurer

Woman's Auxiliary Convention

Denominational Ministries Report for Year
Beginning May 1, 2006 Ending April 30, 2007

	ITEMIZED	RECEIVED	DISBURSED
HOME MISSIONS:			
General Fund (project)	6,630.56		
Sowers Club	223.00		
Disaster Relief	200.00		
Harvest Connection	50.00	7,103.56	7,103.56
FOREIGN MISSIONS:			
General Fund (project)	8,577.75		
Mexican Mission	1,050.00		
European Mission	200.00		
Telethon	226.00		
Bulgaria Mission	40.00		
James and Lynette	50.00	10,143.75	10,143.75
MOUNT OLIVE COLLEGE			
Raper Bldg (project)	2,557.84		
General Fund	1,858.43		
Anna Phillips Student Loan	227.00		
Library	50.00		
Bridge Builder	220.00	4,913.27	4,913.27
FWB CHILDREN'S HOME			
General Fund (project)	7,623.65		
Friends of Children	760.00		
Child's Clothing	275.00		
Child's Christmas	1,850.00		
Child to Cragmont	140.00		
Child's Allowance	80.00		
Needs List	100.00		
Bags for Kids	50.00		
Building Fund	225.00	11,103.65	11,103.65
Cragmont			
General Fund	6,254.18		
Talen Fund	25.00		
Vision Walk	25.00	6,304.18	6,304.18
MINISTER'S PROGRAM			
		2,159.65	2,159.65
RETIREMENT HOMES			
		2,299.65	2,299.65
SUNDAY SCHOOL MINISTRY			
		1,783.69	1,783.69
LIFE AWARDS FEES-COLLEGE			
		440.00	440.00

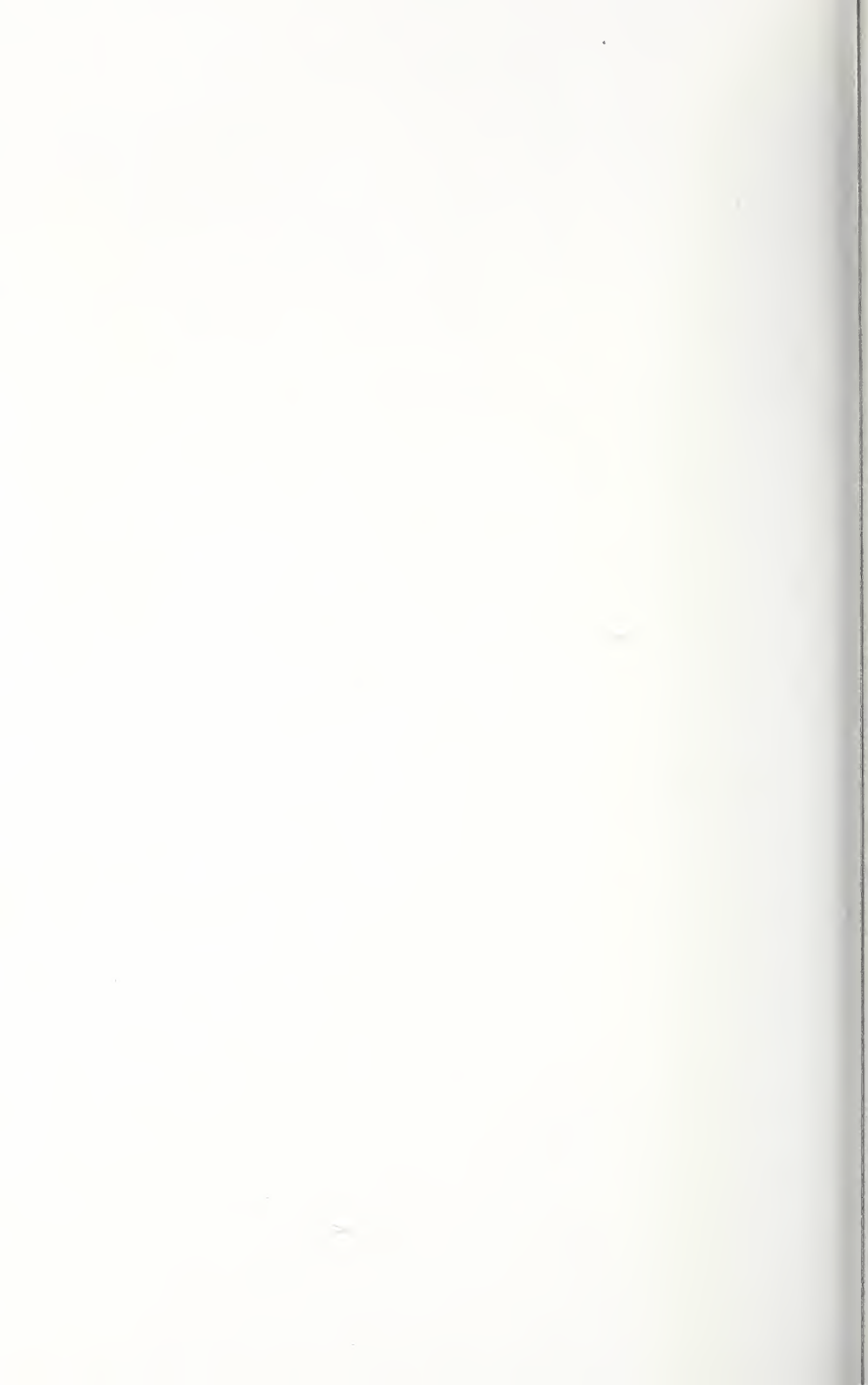
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CHRISTIAN SERVICE FUND

Home Missions	535.45		
Foreign Missions	535.45		
College	1,070.89		
Children's Home	803.16		
Cragmont	803.16		
Ministers Program	535.46		
Retirement Homes	535.46		
Sunday School Ministry	535.47	5,354.50	5,354.50

TOTAL DENOMINATIONAL MINISTRIES FOR YEAR	51,605.90	51,605.90	
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2008 Annual Conference and Association Meetings

ALBEMARLE CONFERENCE

October 8, 2008

Sound Side OFWB Church, Columbia, NC

CAPE FEAR CONFERENCE

November 11, 2008

Powhatan OFWB Church, Clayton, NC

CENTRAL CONFERENCE

November 2008

EASTERN CONFERENCE

October 23, 2008

Edwards Chapel OFWB Church, Beaufort, NC

PAUL PALMER CONFERENCE

July 2008

PEE DEE ASSOCIATION

October 18, 2008

Mt. Calvary OFWB Church, Clarkton, NC

PIEDMONT CONFERENCE

July 2008

WESTERN CONFERENCE

October 16, 2008

Marsh Swamp OFWB Church, Sims, NC

